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JINGOISM

"HOW TO CURE CHINA'S ILLS" A GERMAN ALLIANCE?

Suggestions Typical of One School of Thought

WAR WITH FOREIGN POWER ESSENTIAL, SAYS WRITER

[By "Li Chung-yin"]

If only because it is typical of the mentality of certain Chinese—some educated and some not—a contribution by C. Y. W. Meng to the "China Critic" (a weekly commentary in English published by Chinese in Shanghai) deserves more than passing attention because it makes known one of the many suggestions for curing China of her ills.

In a sentence, Mr. Meng thinks that an alliance with Germany is not only desirable but also necessary—from China's point of view. He goes superficially into details but does not discuss the probabilities of Germany's attitude towards an alliance on the lines indicated.

"It is always my conviction that a war with a foreign country is essential to our unification," says Mr. Meng. And he attempts to point to parallels in Germany and the United States of America during the last century.

THREE ARGUMENTS

In justice to the Editor of the "China Critic," room must be found for the following stipulation by him:

"Although we would not advocate such an alliance as proposed by the author of this article, we think it interesting to our readers to appreciate the views of certain section of articulate young Chinese who become jingoistic under the goad of Japanese encroachment. The rumoured revival of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance and secret diplomacy [the date of the number is Jan. 24, before which the renewal of this long-expired Alliance had been officially denied], which is behind all such arrangements, is instrumental in driving some young Chinese to look to Germany for help, others to the United States, while still others to Communistic Russia. There is no surer way of fostering jingoism and communism in China than a revival of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance."

The Indictment

Mr. Meng lays the following indictment against Japan as her ambitions:

To oppose Chinese Tariff autonomy,
To annex Manchuria,
To block the revision of Sino-Japanese Treaties.

In which respect it has transpired that Japan has acceded to the new Chinese Customs Tariff which came into force yesterday, that formal recognition of the National Government in China is the next assured step, that negotiation is being sustained to settle outstanding Sino-Japanese problems, and that annexation of Manchuria (in the real sense of the term) is very unlikely in present circumstances at least.

Because of these alleged Japanese desires, Mr. Meng shows faith in the rumours which began to float around two or three months ago that an Anglo-Japanese Alliance had again been mooted.

China in Diplomacy

It is a pity that Mr. Meng, although he quotes liberally from history, does not go into the ghastly result of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen's "understanding" with Soviet Russia, in which the late Mr. Liao Chung-kai (who was assassinated in Canton when Red rule was near its zenith) played a prominent part. Nor is light thrown on the proposal of Dr. Sun that certain of the big nations should join in a co-operative scheme to put China on her feet, more as a business proposition than a political venture.

As to China's place in the diplomatic world, Mr. Meng says: "Though the nearest neighbour to China, Japan, instead of being a true friend to China, has proved to be the very one with whom China would have to re-adjust her relations by means of war. Russia, another near neighbour to China, has proved to be a dangerous foe to China. She gave China theories of communism, which resulted in the severance of Sino-Russian relations. America, who is a true friend to China, is too tightly bound by her traditional policy of having no alliance with the outside world. Then, as the near neighbours have proved to be enemies or disinterested," (Continued at foot of next column)

ed onlookers, China has to find some distant power for an alliance!"

"International War"

Three arguments advanced by Mr. Meng as to why China needs an ally are:

It is not possible for China to stand alone when the whole world is armed.

China needs the help of an ally in many ways, for example, the supply of ammunition for the coming international war, and for some military experts for the re-organisation of Chinese armies. China needs some one who would keep out those who might help Japan in the time of a second Sino-Japanese War.

Then he quotes Mr. Wilbur Burton of the Associated Press, who discusses the Germans in China, in the "China Weekly Review." Incidentally, Mr. Burton speaks of the compradors. Much of what he says is correct, especially in attributing "to a certain extent" the increase in German merchants in "becoming native." But when he says that the Germans began to abandon the "compradore system" before the Great War, I beg to differ.

Knotty Problems

"Actually, Germany declared two wars, one with Austria and the other with France. [I am quoting Mr. Meng who is here speaking of Bismarck's days.] These two victories not only at once raised Germany to a first rank power, but they actually united Germany internally."

"It is always my conviction that a war with foreign country is essential to our unification. The victory of the North over the South did not truly unify America [what Mr. Meng said was that the South beat the North but I have set down what I think he means], but the war with Spain did."

"What was needed by Germany is more badly needed by China for two reasons.—It is the only way for China to solve all knotty problems with Japan and Russia, and secondly, it is the only way by which the south and the north would give up their differences for the unification of China."

"So, —"

"So, while the Japanese imperialists and the British die-hard talk of the revival of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, we the Chinese, should discuss the formation of a Chinese foreign policy which, we suggest, our government should model upon Bismarck's 'Iron and Blood Policy.'"

"So, though the disbandment of surplus troops is considered as one of the important items in the reconstruction of China, we want to remind our Government that China at present is entirely unprotected. To leave only 500,000 soldiers to protect the whole of China is not, to our opinion, sufficient."

"What should be done is that the Chinese armies must be reorganised. At the same time, compulsory education and military service must be enforced and more arsenals should be built."

"China should prepare herself to be ready to challenge any power, just as vigorously as Germany prepared to be enemies or disinterested," (Continued at foot of next column)

INFLUX OF BRITISH GOLD INTO U.S.A.

BANK OF ENGLAND GOVERNOR IN NEW YORK

IMPORTANT MISSION

New York, Yesterday. The "Journal of Commerce" understands that the arrival of Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England, has as its object the conferring with officials of the New York Federal Reserve Bank in an endeavour to devise means to prevent the influx of gold from Britain without raising the Bank of England's discount rate.—Reuter's American Service.

RAN AGROUND

UNION CASTLE LINER MEETS WITH MISADVENTURE

NO PASSENGERS ABOARD

London, Yesterday. The Union Castle liner "Garth Castle" ran aground early to-day off Aldeburgh, Naples on the Suffolk coast, but does not appear to have suffered any damage.

Tugs have been sent from London to assist in refloating her.

It is hoped that with the rising tide this may be effected without difficulty.

The "Garth Castle," which is a vessel of 7,715 tons, was bound for London from Hamburg.

A representative of the Union Castle Line states that the liner has no passengers aboard. She goes to the continent only to load, and having been to Hamburg and Rotterdam, was on her way back to London in readiness for sailing to South and East Africa on Tuesday next.—British Wireless Service.

pared herself for her wars with Austria and France."

Lesson of Isolation. One point more and I will have done. Mr. Meng mentioned China's policy of isolation in Li Hung-chang's time. That word isolation is well worth careful study.

China reached a comparatively high state of civilisation while the rest of the world lagged behind. But China, was isolated geographically from social and other intercourse, on the east by the then unconquered Pacific Ocean, on the west by uncrossed mountains and deserts.

While China has been in a long sleep of winter—and isolated—other nations have enjoyed the fruits of summer, or are still enjoying them. Japan is changing, literally, from late spring into summer (with a few spells of figurative bad weather to tide over, such as the Earthquake and the Financial Crisis). But China, once she has roused herself thoroughly from that long sleep—and she does not need anybody to present her with any more alarm clocks—she will have the whole of a new spring, a new summer, and possibly a good autumn to look forward to as well, with her incalculable natural wealth.

CALL SIGN CHANGE

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The Director of Public Works notifies that the call sign "G.O.W." used by Victoria Peak Wireless Telegraph Station, Hong Kong, has been changed to "Z.B.W." [To-day's broadcasting programme appears on page 11.]

FIXES OWN FUNERAL

How Death Came To A Chinese

Lyhsian (Chihli) Death came to Kou-sien-cheng, an octogenarian of the Catholic settlement at Wan-an, Chihli, China, and found him prepared. Some time before in perfect health, he had got ready his own sepulchre and gathered the articles to be used at his funeral. To the amazed neighbours he explained that he expected to die "on the eighth day of the moon." They recalled his robust figure and his activity in walking on foot to the Catholic Congress during the summer without the slightest fatigue, and wondered.

The death of the elderly gentleman was very peaceful. Though baptized but ten years ago he was a fervent Catholic. To the group that gathered on the "eighth day of the moon" he spoke on religion for several hours without any sign of weakness. He then received the last rites, retired to bed, and passed away immediately without a struggle. Fides.—"The Rock."

DID NOT RETURN

FOKI AND CHEQUE FOR 2,500

An accusation of larceny by bailie against his employee was made by the holder of poultry stall No. 82, Central Market to the Police yesterday. The master alleged that he handed his foki a cheque for \$2,500 at one of the local exchange banks, and that the foki who went to bring back the proceeds did not return.

DID NOT SUCCEED

TWO CHINESE ATTEMPT SUICIDE

Two cases of attempted suicide, both by swallowing a dose of opium, were reported yesterday. Both cases concerned Chinese men.

The first was that of Tsang Tang, unemployed, of No. 21, Connaught-road West, and the other that of Ng Shek-lam (26 years of age), of No. 239, Des Voeux-road West.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0 1/18.

PARIS TO HANOI AND BACK

WITHIN 10 DAYS

COSTES TO START ON BIG FLIGHT TO FAR EAST

THE "DRAGON OF ANNAM"

Paris, Yesterday. The airman, Costes, will start on the 19th inst. on a flight from Paris to the Far East.

He hopes to reach Hanoi in a little over three days with half-hour stops for supplies at Constantinople, Basra, Karachi and Calcutta, and to complete the double flight out and home within ten days. His aeroplane is named the "Dragon of Annam."—Reuter.

[It will be recalled that Costes some time ago participated in a record flight from Tokyo to Paris].

NOTHING TO REPORT

DOCTORS "VERY SATISFIED" AS TO KING'S HEALTH

THE BOGNOR JOURNEY

London, Yesterday. A British wireless message says:

It was stated at Buckingham Palace to-day that there was nothing to report about the King's condition.

From this statement and a similar official statement made yesterday morning, it is gathered that the doctors are very satisfied with the progress which the King continues to make.

It is understood that the question of the mode of transport to be used for the King's journey to Bognor is at present receiving serious consideration by his medical advisers. A motor ambulance was in the ground of the Palace to-day. It is thought that a large and modern well-equipped ambulance, probably from one of the hospitals, may be used to remove the King.

No Bulletin. No bulletin regarding the King's health was issued this evening.

HEAD-ON COLLISION

SIX RAILWAYMEN KILLED IN KENTUCKY

LUCKY PASSENGERS

Henderson, Kentucky, Yesterday.

Six railwaymen were killed in a head-on collision between a passenger and goods trains near here. None of the passengers was seriously injured.—Reuter's American Service.

DISASTER ECHO

EXPRESS DRIVER ACQUITTED OF MANSLAUGHTER

London, Yesterday.

Ernest Henry Aldington, the driver of the express involved in the disaster at Chalfont last Oct. has been acquitted by the Gloucester Assizes to-day on a charge of manslaughter.—Reuter.

IS THAT SO?

Thoughts Terse, Perverse—and Worse.

Katie Caroline Rosario was awfully pleased with the silver spoons that her Scottish friend gave her for a wedding present. They were all marked with the initials, "K.-C. R."

"The world will be a paradise if everyone were half as good as he expected his neighbours to be." Colonial paper. . . . What Mrs. Malaprop might have called a nice derangement of tenses.

A well trained dog does a trick willingly with an obvious desire to please; and upon successful completion is equally as well pleased as the instigator.

Not so, our local railroad with its Motor Contraption which succeeded in jumping the Rails a week ago and failed to kill anybody.

From all reports, it is in Chicago, that they take life easily—and frequently.

Ships expected:—

"S.S. West Isleta, from New York, September 7, s.s. West Isleta from New York, September 10."

—Durban daily. . . . Durban to New York and back in three days is certainly among the triumphs of modern travel.

Thieves who broke into a Wanchai shop overlooked \$100 in notes. . . . The amateurs!

"Mrs. . . . watching the Exiles play hockey in a fur coat." . . . This description has an unearthy insectivorous sound.

"A great South African people was being formed from a blending of two virile nations, voortrekkers and plinkers." Sir George Corry, South Africa's historian, seems to have overlooked the latter race.

The Taiipo District Council have purchased the overturned Railway Coach for use as a Convalescent Home for the inmates of the Anopheles Maternity Home.

The Lady Mayoress has kindly consented to perform the opening ceremony. His Honour the Mayor will not be present.

"I told that great bully Jackson just what I thought of him this afternoon."

"Oh! And what did he say?"

"Didn't say anything; I hung up."

INDIAN SCHOOL

CHANGE OF HEAD MASTER ANNOUNCED

At the Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians this morning it was announced by Mr. A. el Arculli, who presided, that Mr. A. R. Sutherland, who had been transferred to the Education Department during the year, would not be returning as head master of that school, and that his place would be taken by Mr. A. T. Hamilton, of Queen's College.

Mr. el Arculli paid a tribute to the high standard of work done by the School as was exemplified from the fact that, in the annual examination, 100 per cent. of Class 4 had passed for the fourth year in succession.

The annual report of the School work was read by Mr. Bishen Singh, the acting head master, and Mr. el Arculli presented the annual prizes.

APPOINTMENTS

The "Gazette" announces the following appointments:—Inspector Frank Shaftain to be an Examiner of Weights and Measures under the Weights and Measures Ordinance, 1885, section 4, and also an Inspector under the Gunpowder and Fireworks Ordinance, 1901, section 14.

Ma Sai-hong to be a "Forest Officer" for the control and superintendence of the forests of the Colony, with effect from January 19, 1929.

POPPY DAY RESULT

The report of the Poppy Day, 1928 activities by the British Legion, Hong Kong, shows that a total of \$16,866.49 (total in sterling \$1,747 4s. 6d.) was remitted to Headquarters in London. \$5,927.95 was collected from Clubs and the sale of poppies realised \$5,798. Expenses amounted to \$106.60.

This Week's Great Thought:—What beats a good wife? A bad husband.

"Schoolboy Tastes," says a headline. He generally does—everything he can get hold of!

Some of the dresses at a recent fancy dress ball were more fancy than reality.

"This," said the politician, as he contemplated the remains of the chicken, "is what we call the Left Wing."

"You are a disgrace to the regiment," said the Magistrate to the soldier-prisoner. . . . Rotten to the corps, in fact!

"Six motor coaches were destroyed yesterday in a fire at a garage at Harborne, Birmingham," says a news item. . . . Luckily, one did not see the passengers alight.

This Week's Wellerism:—"You shall have it in a couple of shakes," as the cocktail mixer said to the thirsty customer.

Lady Ipswich was summoned for riding a horse on a path intended for foot-passengers only. Well, hasn't a horse got four feet?

"Railway station thieves are active," one reads. They must be clever to get away with such a bulky object as a railway station.

"I don't like a man who can't take a joke," as the disappointed humorist said when he left the editor's office with "his budget of jactance."

"A certain fashionable portrait painter has put up his prices. . . . Who was it said that genius was 'an infinite capacity for making gains?'"

Recent Issues of "Sporting" Books we have read:—How to trap and snare. How to Shoot.

The Service revolver and how to use it. Stalking Mosquitoes at Taiipo.

"In the grocery department there is a complete range of seasonal goods, almonds, dates, muscatels, mince-meat, dessert figs, ceded raisens. Any youngster knows what to do with a session on a few pounds of 'raisens.'"

From the description of a native convict escaped from King William's Town Gaol—"Special marks: Wife named Mina is living in Zondika's Location." . . . It is more customary for a wife to give special marks than to be one.

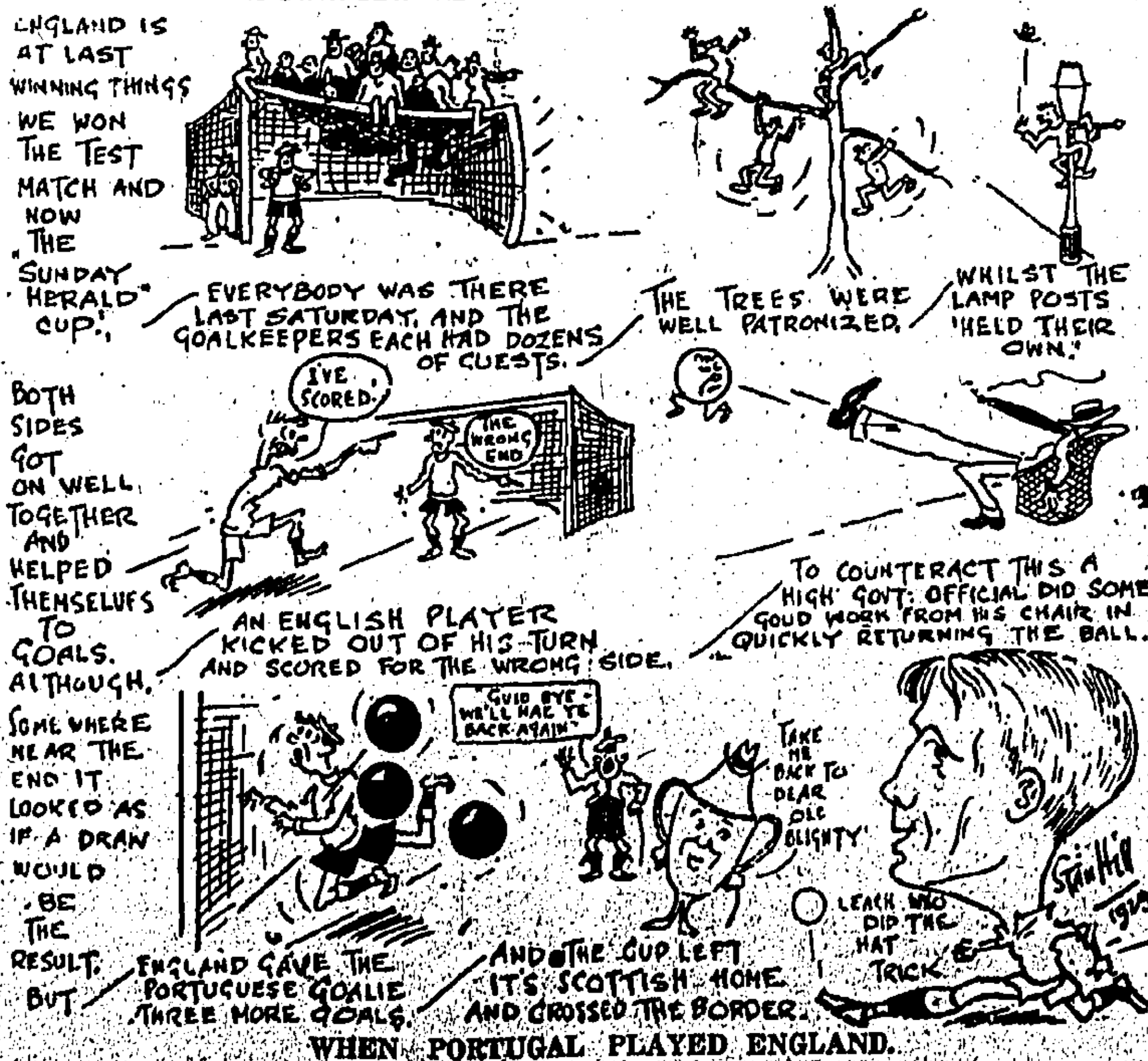
"I hear that Mr. H. C. Morphet, the president of the Dark Blues Boat Club, will himself stroke the Oxford boat this year." . . . "How sweet to think of them making such pets of their boats!" gurgled my flapper friend when she read the above news item.

"Electric irons, electric kettles, most suitable for Xmas presents were on the counter in abundance. . . . By an iron for the missus to enable her to iron your shirts and collars well."—Christmas "write-up." . . . But don't be surprised if "the missus" pitches it at your head, Christmas stocking and all.

"The Hull trawler Max Pemberton . . . steamed into Grimsby. . . . The new owners registered the ship in Iceland, sent it fishing and ordered it to Grimsby to sell her catch."—"London Daily Mail." It is interesting to note how the great stylist, who wrote that kept the vessel neuter until there was reference to a "catch" when "it" logically became "she."

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COMMERCE
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FINANCE.

JABEZ BALFOUR

32 YEARS' EFFORT BY
 COMPANY
 CRASH ECHO

About a hundred men and women, survivors of 25,000 people who originally held shares in United Realisation Company, formed thirty-two years ago to try and save something from the wreckage of the Liberator Society and other Jabez Balfour enterprises, attended a meeting at the Institute of Chartered Accountants, Moorgate. They had come, as in previous years, in the hope of learning that the company was in a position to make some payment to them.

For the most part they were middle-aged or elderly, and a large proportion were women. They heard the announcement that by the sale of shares the whole of the mortgages and debenture debts had been paid, and a balance of £13,000 had been invested in 4½ per cent. Treasury Bonds. There was a certain amount of liveliness over a proposal, eventually withdrawn, to vote 3750 to the directors.

Mr. Henry Smith, chairman of the company, who presided, said the company still held 200,000 Ordinary shares in the Hotel Cecil. During the company's career a total of £1,382,409 of indebtedness had been paid off, without taking into account temporary loans, interest on mortgages, and interest and premium on redemption of debentures, which together amounted to a large additional sum.

Directors' Sacrifice
 Mr. A. G. Morrish, a shareholder, moving that the directors be awarded £750 as a gratuity, said that when the company was at its lowest ebb the directors volunteered to divide the sum of £100 a year between them instead of the £1,500 which they could have claimed under the articles of association. The position of the company to-day was due entirely to their generosity. (Cheers.)

Another shareholder paid a tribute to the directors, but said they must remember there were old people to whom 5s. and 10s. meant a large sum, and who had been hoping for years that something might be coming to them.

"This is really money," he said, "that ought to go to people who have had their homes wrecked. I know people who have been on the verge of starvation year after year; and now that there is money in hand we are asked to vote it straight away as a gift to men who, although they have done good service, are not on the verge of starvation. We are now appending something like £800 per annum on administration, and if we go on like this there will be no chance of any shareholder getting anything in his lifetime." (Cheers.)

Another Shareholder: Has any director lost money in this company?
 The Chairman: I am one of the original victims, and was hit very hard. I attended the meeting that led up to the formation of this company. At a creditors' meeting we formed a committee of inspection of about fifteen gentlemen, and from these were chosen the first directors of the present company. I am the only one who has attended every meeting for the thirty-three

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The following unclaimed telegrams are lying in the E. E. Telegraph Co. office, Hong Kong:—Boyd and Company, from London.

Alfonso Choy, from Mexico City, Mex.
 Harris, 4, King's Terrace, Kowloon, from West Barnes New Malden.

Hinman, Peninsula Hotel, from Jammu.
 Monsieur Thesing Thesing, 20, Des Voeux Road, from Colombo.
 Wakin, from San Francisco.

S. LACK, Superintendent.
 Hong Kong, 31st Jan., 1929.

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The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of the Great Northern Telegraph Company (Limited) of Denmark:—Shipbroker, from Tientsin.

Cable, from Osaka.
 Japanese Chamber of Commerce, from Kobe.

E. V. JESSEN, Superintendent.
 Hong Kong, 31st Jan., 1929.

or thirty-four years. I was then about 80 years of age, and I lost about \$1,600.
 Another shareholder said he did not think the directors would mind waiting another year or so. He was interrupted by another speaker, and for some minutes there was a lively exchange through several shareholders all trying to speak at the same time.

On harmony being restored Mr. Morrish asked to be allowed to withdraw his resolution, and the Chairman accepted the withdrawal.

TRADE IN CHINA

SIR HARRY GOSCHEN ON THE PROSPECTS

London, Yesterday.
 At the annual general meeting of the National Provincial Bank, Sir Harry Goschen, who was presiding, dealt with the possibilities of a revival of trade with China. He considered that a friendlier attitude exists with China to British interests and trade than for many years. It is a "great opportunity for extending all sections of our trade in that great country which, if neglected now, may not recur."—Reuter.

NICKEL FUSION

WORLD'S OUTPUT UNDER ONE CONTROL

New York.—The directors of the International Nickel Co. (Canada) have recommended, subject to the approval of 75 per cent. of the shareholders, the acceptance of the proposed fusion with the Mond Nickel Co., whereby the holders of the 10s Ordinary shares of the Mond Nickel Co. will exchange for one International Company's Common stock, and holders of the Seven per Cent Preferred share.

If the proposal is accepted, seven places on the board of twenty-five directors will be allotted to Mond Nickel representatives.

A stockholders' meeting was called for Jan. 3 to sanction the issue of the Preferred shares.

On the basis of the current prices of International Nickel and Mond Nickel shares, the merger represents a market value of \$100,000,000.

The Mond Nickel Co. is a British company of which Lord Melchett is chairman, and the fusion is regarded as a triumph for British interests. The International Nickel Co. of Canada is a subsidiary of the American company, but there is no nickel in America.

The mines of the two companies which are now merged are situated in the Sudbury district of Ontario, and produce about 90 per cent. of the world's output of nickel.

Lord Melchett visited America in October, and in a statement before leaving for England said: "A quite unnecessary duplication of capital and expenditure would be incurred if the present programmes of the two companies were carried out separately. This can benefit nobody, for it is both to the interest of the consumers of nickel as well as the stockholders in nickel that the industry should be conducted with the least possible capital and operating expenditure."—Central News.

MRS. B. L. MANAHAN SAYS: "I KNOW ABSOLUTELY THAT MY PRESENT GOOD HEALTH AND WONDERFUL VITALITY ARE DUE TO POO ON CHINESE HERBS."

Mrs. B. L. Manahan, Route C. Box 273, Modesto Cal., U.S.A., says:—"I had suffered for nine years with female trouble and gastritis. I was afraid to go to a doctor because they would surely advise an operation. Having seen the terrible results of operations on similar cases like mine I did not have confidence in this means of regaining my former good health."

"I continued to grow worse until I was confined to my bed. I was in terrible pain and agony and nothing would give me the least bit of relief. Any food taken into the stomach would invariably turn sour and I suffered greatly from bloating and gas in the stomach. I was unable to do any house-work, and suffered severe pains besides my female trouble."

"I was in San Luis Obispo, at that time trying a change of climate, but I became so bad that I was nearly forced to return to Modesto, Cal., in an ambulance. I was finally brought to as far as Care in an automobile in which I was packed with pillows. While staying with a relative there they suggested that I try the Poo On Chinese Herbs. I consented to do so, but was in such a weakened condition that I had to be almost carried to the office of the Poo On Chinese Herbs Co."

"I was told by the Herbalist that I could be cured by the Poo On Chinese Herbs, and I immediately started taking the treatment. In little over a month I was an entirely cured woman. I began improving right from the beginning, and in a few months gained over 20 pounds."

Since taking the treatment I have felt better than I have ever felt in my life and have never had a day of sickness since. I am now living on a ranch, getting up at 6 o'clock in the morning and doing the work of a man. I am positively sure that my present good health and wonderful vitality are due to Poo On Chinese Herbs, and the careful attention of the Herbalist."

Thousands suffering from catarrh, bronchial and lung trouble, throat, cough, asthma, hay fever, malaria, stomach trouble, indigestion, constipation, gastritis, piles, diarrhoea, sciatica, heart disease, eczema, scrofula, female trouble, nervousness, insomnia, obesity, kidney, bladder trouble, Bright's disease, diabetes, rheumatism, neuralgia, dropsy, prostrata, epileptic fits, paralysis, tumors, ulcers, pimples, dizziness, headaches, neurasthenia, neuritis, and many other chronic diseases, have been restored to health and happiness without poisonous drugs or the knife, by the Poo On Chinese Herbs.

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LOCAL SHARES

MESSRS. MOXON & TAYLOR'S
 WEEKLY REPORT

PROSPECTS BRIGHT

Messrs. Moxon and Taylor, in their weekly share circular, under date of yesterday, state:

We again experienced a quiet market during the week under review with but little change to report.

At the close the undertone is somewhat firmer and prospects for increased business after Chinese New Year look after brighter.

Shanghai market is quiet. The following are the principal alterations since last week: Banks:—Were quiet but steady with sales at \$1,340/50. Canton Insurances:—Changed hands at \$690.

Other Insurances:—Were enquired for at quotations but there were no shares offering except at a slight advance.

Hong Kong Hotels:—A few shares were taken off the market at \$9 to \$9.10 and they close with rather more enquiry at \$9.15.

Hong Kong Trams:—Were the medium of business at \$20½/80. more shares are wanted at \$20.45 but so far sellers are unwilling to accept the lower rate.

Hong Kong Lands:—Came in for no attention on the part of buyers. Humphreys Estates:—Have buyers at \$15, without attracting sellers.

Star Ferries:—Weakened and are now on offer at \$7½. Waterboats:—Met with no enquiry and close nominal at \$22½ ex div. of \$1.50.

Steamboats:—Eased off and came to business at \$27½/25. China Lights:—Were on the upward grade and rose from \$12.20 to \$12.70 buyers, with sellers holding out for a still further advance.

China Providents:—Were enquired for at \$5.05/10 without bringing out any sellers.

Electric:—Were quiet with some business done at \$53/53½ for the old shares.

Cements:—Met with a quiet demand and some shares changed hands at \$9½/60.

Dairy Farms:—Were almost unnoticed but at the close have buyers at \$21½.

Wharves:—Were done at \$132½ but close very quiet with \$132, being offered.

Docks:—Are unchanged. Watsons:—Are now being held for \$13.30.

London Quotations of the 30th inst.:—Banks \$145; Indos Deferred \$8.10/-; Shells \$4.15.3 all middle prices.

Exchange:—The demand selling rate on London is 2/-1/16 and the T/T. on Shanghai is Tls. 78¾.

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 C. L. C. SANDER, Manager.
 Hong Kong, 1st September, 1928.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
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February, 1929, manager of the
above Hotel in the place of Mr.
C. W. HANNIGS.

ST. FRANCIS HOTEL, LTD.
Hong Kong, 1st Feb., 1929.

NOTICE.

THE BEN LINE STEAMERS, LTD.
S.S. "BENGLOE"

CONSIGNEES are hereby in-
formed that owing to damage
sustained by accident in the Suez
Canal this vessel's arrival will
probably be delayed one month.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.
Hong Kong, 1st Feb., 1929.

LAMMERT BROS.

AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS
AND SURVEYORS.

Public Auctions

THE Undersigned have received
instructions to sell by Public
Auction

ON
MONDAY, the 4th February, 1929,
commencing at 11 a.m.,
at their Sales Room,
Duddell Street.

26 Cases Brandy
20 Cases Gin
2 Cases Cottons
1 Case Yarn
3 Cooking Stoves
25 Heaters
3 Rolls Wire Netting
6 Porcelain Commodities
11 Porcelain Sinks
13 Sacks Flour
1 Bale Old Newspaper
70 Bottles Cod Liver Oil Emul-
sion
24 Bottles Extract of Malt with
Cod Liver Oil
also
A Quantity of Yule Hardware and
Miscellaneous Goods and
Furniture
and
(for account of the concerned)
6 Cases Artificial Silk Yarn
(more or less damaged).
Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, 1st Feb., 1929.

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ON
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VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
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celain Vases, Ornaments, Steel
Cabin Trunks, Perambulators,
etc., etc.
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Chairs, Sideboards, Dinner Wag-
gons, Ice Chests, Aluminium Ware,
Crockery, Glass Ware, Cutlery,
etc., etc.
Brass and Teak Bedsteads,
Wardrobes, Dressing Tables,
Chests of Drawers, Washstands,
Commodities, Crockery, Linen, etc.,
etc., etc.

and
A Quantity of
BLACKWOOD FURNITURE.
Catalogues will be issued.
On View from Tuesday, the 5th
February, 1929.
Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

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Hong Kong, 1st Feb., 1929.

THE Undersigned have received
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ON
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A Valuable Collection of
POSTAGE STAMPS
Particulars from Catalogue.
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NOTICES.

HONG KONG FOOTBALL
CLUB

INTERPORT GAME.

HONG KONG v. SHANGHAI

Monday, February 11th, 3.30 p.m.

MEMBERS are notified that
Seats may now be booked
(for Members' area only) at the
Club House, Happy Valley every
evening from 5.30 to 7.00 p.m.
W. PRYDE,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 2nd Feb., 1929.

HONG KONG FOOTBALL
ASSOCIATION.

INTERPORT GAME.

HONG KONG v. SHANGHAI

Monday, February 11th, 3.30 p.m.

Booking for Clubs will definite-
ly close on the 4th February.
Booking for Public will open on
the 5th at the H.K.F. Club House,
Happy Valley, every evening from
5.30 to 7 p.m.
Hong Kong, 1st Feb., 1929.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.**EXTRA MEETINGS, 1929.****Provisional Dates of Meetings.**

9th March.
30th March & 1st April.
13th April.
27th April.
18th & 20th May.
12th & 14th October.
26th October.
16th November.
30th November.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 1st Feb., 1929.

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND
FINANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the ANNUAL ORDIN-
ARY GENERAL MEETING of
Shareholders in this Company will
be held at the Hong Kong Hotel,
Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, the 8th
February, 1929, at 11 a.m. for the
purpose of receiving the Report
of the Directors together with a
Statement of Accounts for the year
ended 31st December, 1928.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
THURSDAY, 31st January to
FRIDAY, 8th February (both days
inclusive) during which period no
transfer of shares can be regis-
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JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 24th Jan., 1929.

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GEM SMUGGLING

MILLIONS INVOLVED IN
AMERICA

CONSPIRACY ALLEGED

New York.—The American cus-
toms officials say they are convinced
that in the arrest of William Ballyn,
chief steward of the "Berengaria,"
and three American alleged asso-
ciates, Mr. Morris Landau, a jewel-
ler, his daughter Frances, and a
policeman, John Macintyre, they
have struck at the heart of an inter-
national diamond smuggling plot
involving a powerful gang whose
operations have involved gems
valued at between \$7,000,000 and
\$10,000,000 annually.

American jewellers have long
complained to the Government that
the large quantities of diamonds
smuggled into the United States
has made it difficult for honest im-
porters to compete in the diamond
market here. They are elated at
the prospect that the gap in the
Customs lines will soon be closed.

Ballyn is reported by the Customs
official to have given them the name
of his alleged "go-between" in
Southampton, through whom it is
hoped to trace other members of the
gang, who have operated from
Antwerp and Amsterdam. No ap-
praisal has so far been made of the
two packages of unset stones,
totalling 300 carats, which, as
charged, were found in Ballyn's
cabin. But they are estimated to
be worth \$10,000.

According to the Government
agents, Ballyn told them he received
\$20 for each package of jewels.
The receivers of the smuggled
diamonds are believed to pay a fee
amounting to 8 per cent. of the
wholesale value of the diamonds, and
this amount is distributed amongst
the members of the gang. As the
American duty on cut but unset di-
amonds is 20 per cent., the dishonest
importer thus avoids 12 per cent.
of the duty.

Under the American law the
master of a vessel is liable to a fine
to the amount of the value of the
goods smuggled from his ship, but if
he is believed to have adopted all
due precautions to prevent smug-
gling the fact is taken into consid-
eration by the Court. If Ballyn is
indicted by a Grand Jury and brought
to trial, Sir Arthur Rostrom and the
Cunard Company will contest any
fine. The maximum penalty for
Ballyn's alleged offence is two years'
imprisonment and a fine of \$1,000,
or both.

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break down health. The surest,
quickest, and only logical way to re-
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acid and stop the food fermentation
which causes it; and "Bismarck" Mag-
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fermented stomach contents are
sweetened, the acid-inflamed stomach
lining is soothed, natural healthy
stomach conditions are restored, and
painless, healthful digestion follows
at once. "Bismarck" Magnesia re-
moves the cause of indigestion and
gives relief from the most severe at-
tack in less than five minutes. Get a
package from your chemist to-day,
either powder or tablets, and see how
quickly you get complete stomach
comfort.

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Holy Communion, 8 a.m.
Children's Service, 10 a.m.
Peak Sunday School, 10 a.m.
Matins, 11 a.m.
Preacher: The Dean.
Holy Communion, 12 Noon.
Masonic Service, 6 p.m.
Preacher: The Bishop of Vic-
toria.

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Subject: "Love."

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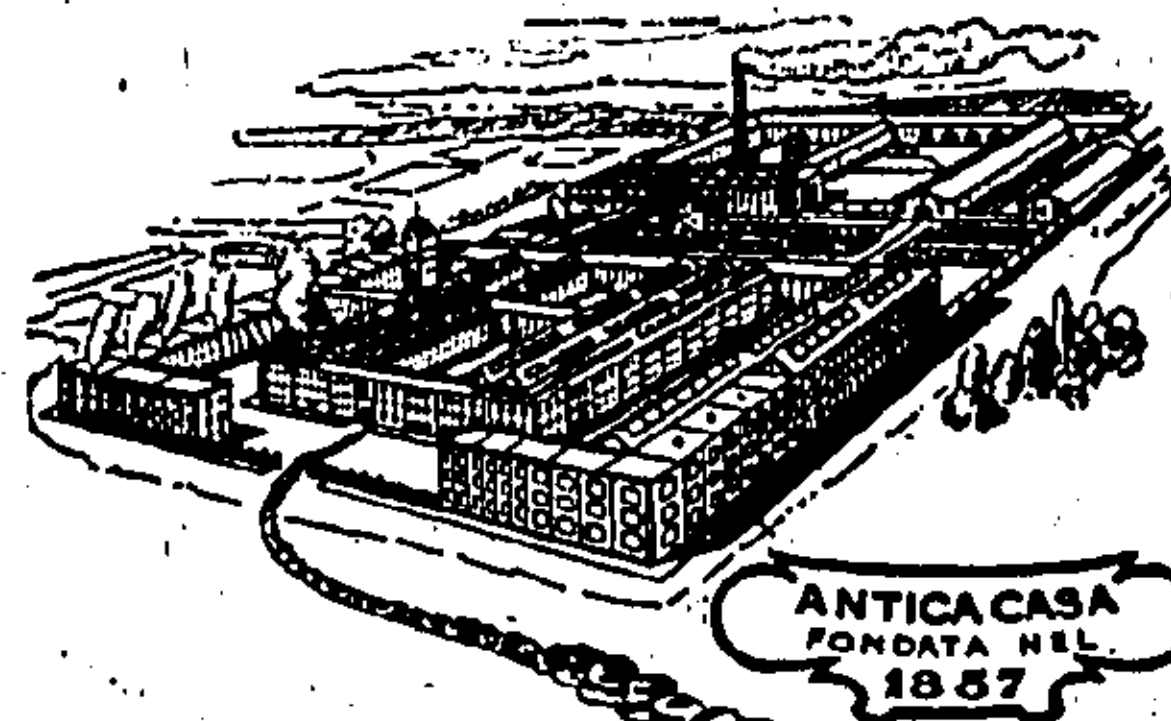
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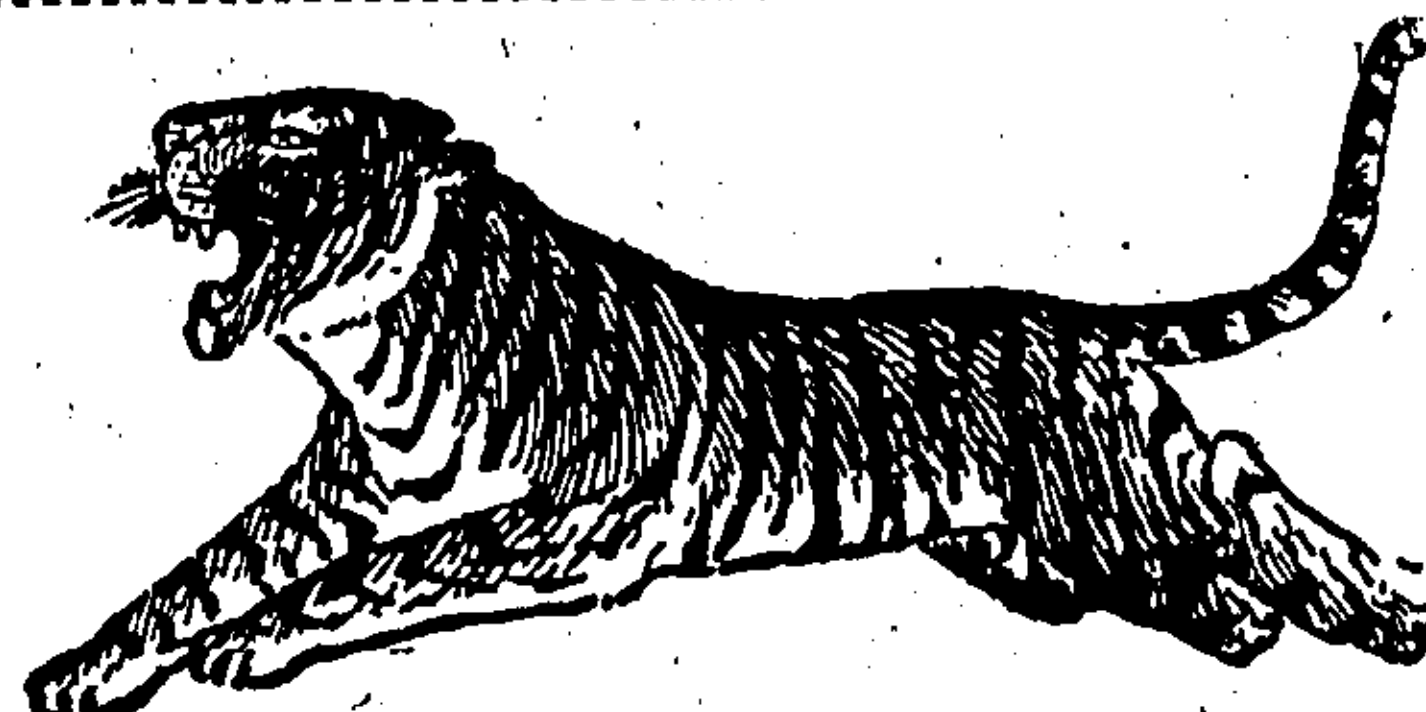
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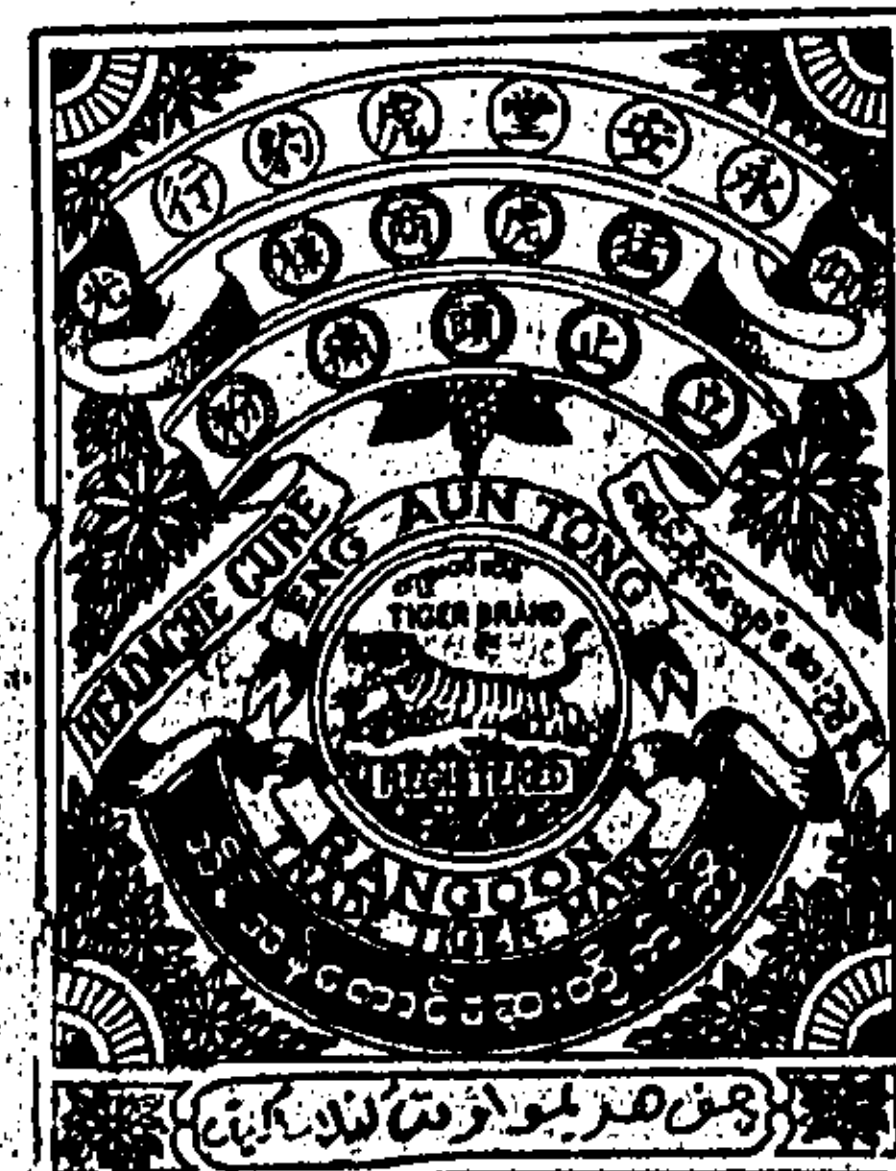
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CHICAGO MARU Tuesday, 5th February.

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ALABAMA MARU Sunday, 3rd February.

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Work of the Benevolent Society

ENCOURAGING YEAR**Need For More Members Emphasised**

The annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Benevolent Society was held in the St. John's Cathedral Hall last evening, in the presence of a fair gathering of members and those interested in the work of the Society.

Mrs. C. G. Alabaster, President of the Society, presided, and on her proposal, Mr. R. Sutherland, O.B.E., took the chair. They were supported on the platform by Mrs. E. Cock, Vice-President, and Mrs. J. McCormack, Hon. Secretary.

After Mrs. McCormack had read the notice convening the meeting, Mr. Sutherland presented the minutes of the previous meeting which were duly confirmed and signed.

The Report

The Annual Report for 1928 stated inter alia:

91 applications were made for relief, the majority being given assistance, 61 being new cases, the remainder being found unworthy or being dealt with by other Societies. The number of persons who received benefit during the year is 141; this is exclusive of children put to school by the Society. 29 cases have been assisted financially with sums ranging from a few cents to \$312. 13 have been found employment and passages to England, Australia, Shanghai and Manila have been secured (in some instances with the co-operation of other Societies). Land money and pocket-money have also been given.

During the past year, at a cost of approximately \$3,000, 21 children have been supported at different schools and the Directors of the following schools, made this possible by accepting reduced fees:—Diocesan Boys' School, Diocesan Girls' School, Italian Convent and St. Joseph's College.

The following ladies served on the Committee:—Mrs. Nisbet (President), Mrs. Alabaster, M.B.E. (President and Hon. Secretary), Mrs. Cock (Vice-President), Mrs. Shellshear (Hon. Treasurer), Mrs. McEldey (Hon. Treasurer), Mrs. J. H. Hunt (Hon. Secretary), Mrs. J. McCormack (Hon. Secretary), Mrs. Featherstone (Assistant Hon. Secretary), Mrs. Sheldon (Assistant Hon. Secretary), Mrs. Southorn, Miss Drury, Mrs. Innes, Mrs. G. Murray, Mrs. Maitland, Mrs. Tracy, Mrs. Schultz, Mrs. Goldsmith, Mrs. Weall, Mrs. Wodehouse, Mrs. Comrie, Mrs. Black and Mrs. Carrie.

THE BALANCE SHEET

Receipts	
Balance in Current A/c	
Jan. 1, 1928	\$ 179.80
Subscriptions	693.48
Donations, Members, etc.	781.00
Donations	1,691.00
Life Members	350.00
Annuity, Sir E. Kadoorie	
Trust	443.44
Hong Kong Government	
Grant	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	386.25
Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, Debenture Redeemed	
	50.00
Two Hong Kong Club Debentures Redeemed	
	1,000.00
	\$9,263.33
Expenditure	
Relief of Cases	\$2,203.18
Education of Children	2,298.80
Rent of Room, etc. for	
Destitutes	511.00
Passages, etc.	476.47
Printing, Advertising and Sundries	462.72
Transferred to Fixed Deposit	
	1,052.50
Cash in Current Account, Dec. 31, 1928 (including Dividend Warrant \$280 Hong Kong Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.)	1,658.69
	\$9,263.33

Afterwards the Chairman addressed the gathering as under:—
The report just read is so full of interest and detail that it would seem almost superfluous to add anything to it, still we are a changing community and the following remarks I trust may in any case be of interest to new-comers to the Colony.

Another year has gone past and it has been a period when unfortunately even more distress than usual has become apparent. No less than 141 persons have come before the notice of your Committee and have received assistance in some shape or form. On the other hand, it has been a year in which we have been better supported by the Community in the way of contributions, for which I now express our hearty thanks. Last Meeting when I had the honour of addressing you, I think the ground was pretty fully covered and the aims and ambitions of this Society, which has been in existence since 1889, were adequately dealt with.

The accounts, which will be shortly posted to you, are encouraging

ing, and show better results than those of previous years, but you must not be lulled into a sense of false security by the cash balance shown of some \$1,600, as our Treasurer informs me that this sum and further moneys are already earmarked to meet school fees within the next few months. I do not know that there is anything further in the accounts which calls for explanation, but I take this early opportunity of recording a very sincere vote of thanks to Mr. Hampden Ross who has been of great assistance to our Committee in preparing the balance-sheet and in auditing the final figures. Mr. Hampden Ross is a busy man and the Society is very grateful.

Members Wanted

Unfortunately, although our financial position is somewhat better, we still have the difficulty of limited membership to cope with. Last year it was pointed out that this Society took upon its shoulders all cases of distress other than Chinese and Portuguese, who have their own kindred Societies to appeal to. It is really a most difficult thing to comprehend why we only have some 72 Members as annual subscribers. According to the last census taken, I think there were about some 17,000 people resident in the Colony, other than Chinese. This figure, of course, includes our Portuguese friends who, as already mentioned, support their own charities, but of this 17,000 there must surely be somewhere about 5,000 Europeans who are eligible to become members of the Hong Kong Benevolent Society.

While I do not wish to reiterate the remarks of last year, this opportunity must not pass without again impressing upon you that this association is the "Hong Kong Benevolent Society," not the "Ladies' Benevolent Society" and there is no other body either official or private, which carries out the same class of relief which is given by us.

From the First Minute Book which we have here on the table it is recorded that the inaugural Meeting of the Society was held in the house of Mr. Just on September 18, 1889, under the Chairmanship of Mr. A. P. Stokes, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master, the following ladies and gentlemen present were the founders of the movement and their names, in view of the splendid work they did and which is still being continued, are well worthy of mention.

1,856 Cases

Our Committee, I would say, for the benefit of those who may be new-comers—is composed entirely of ladies who meet, as the report has explained, at the City Hall twice a week to receive and to distribute clothing, and twice a month to discuss and decide upon cases on the Society's books. When the actual numbering of the cases commenced, I do not know, but it is noted in the minute book before me that the last case indexed is No. 1,856. This minute book represents a wonderful record; a perusal of its pages discloses an interesting, but sad history of want, suffering, and in some few cases, human frailty, while at the same time it modestly sets forth in business-like manner and concise terms, the well considered treatment meted out to applicants, by the members of the Committee.

It further discloses a train of thought in which commonsense, and a full realization of responsibility in handling other people's money, is at once apparent so that those who are good enough to contribute, and whom I hope will remain members and induce others to become so, can rest assured that all offerings whether in cash or clothes, will be dealt with in the most efficient manner possible.

Of course, it is difficult for some people to quite grasp the inner workings of this organization and its financial responsibilities. I would therefore ask you to realize that while clothes, blankets, etc., are most welcome, and while we are extremely indebted to those that send them, they being the means of effecting urgent and temporary relief, the foundation of the Society must, by force of circumstances, be firmly bedded in a strong financial position.

We have, for instance, some 20 odd children at school, we are entirely responsible for the necessary fees, and having started their education, it would be unthinkable

to terminate it through lack of funds, so you will see that our future responsibilities require the most careful consideration and thought.

Steady Income Wanted.
To meet all our requirements we must have a steady income and this can only be done by enrolling more members.

One of the most difficult tasks of your Committee is that of obtaining employment for those who find themselves stranded in the Colony, in many cases through no fault of their own. This leads sometimes to heavy outlays for repatriating deserving cases, and I would once more ask the co-operation of all in the Colony to extend a helping hand to members of the Committee when approached in this connection.

We want \$12 a year, which only means \$1 a month, from all and every person who can afford it. It is a small sum but it means a great deal when it brings comfort, health, and a brighter outlook on life to many who without its aid might sink and go to the wall; and the East, as we too well know, is a bad place to go down.

"We Want More"

Some time ago I tackled a friend whom I knew very well, as to why he was not a Member of the "Benevolent Society" and his reply was amusing and somewhat typical. He said—"I am not a member, but I told my wife to send down a lot of old clothes to you the other day." Mark you, every such contribution is most welcome, but we must point out that our responsibilities and our commitments are on a cash basis:—for instance, we cannot go to Steamship Companies, when we have a call for a passage home and say, "What is the cost of a 2nd Class passage to England please, and can you let me know how much it will come to in old shirts and trousers?" Neither can we say to the Principals of those schools who have done so much for us—"Please, how much do we owe you for fees, and we would like to pay in collars and socks." No! you will see that is quite impossible, therefore we must ask for money and, like Oliver Twist, "we want more."

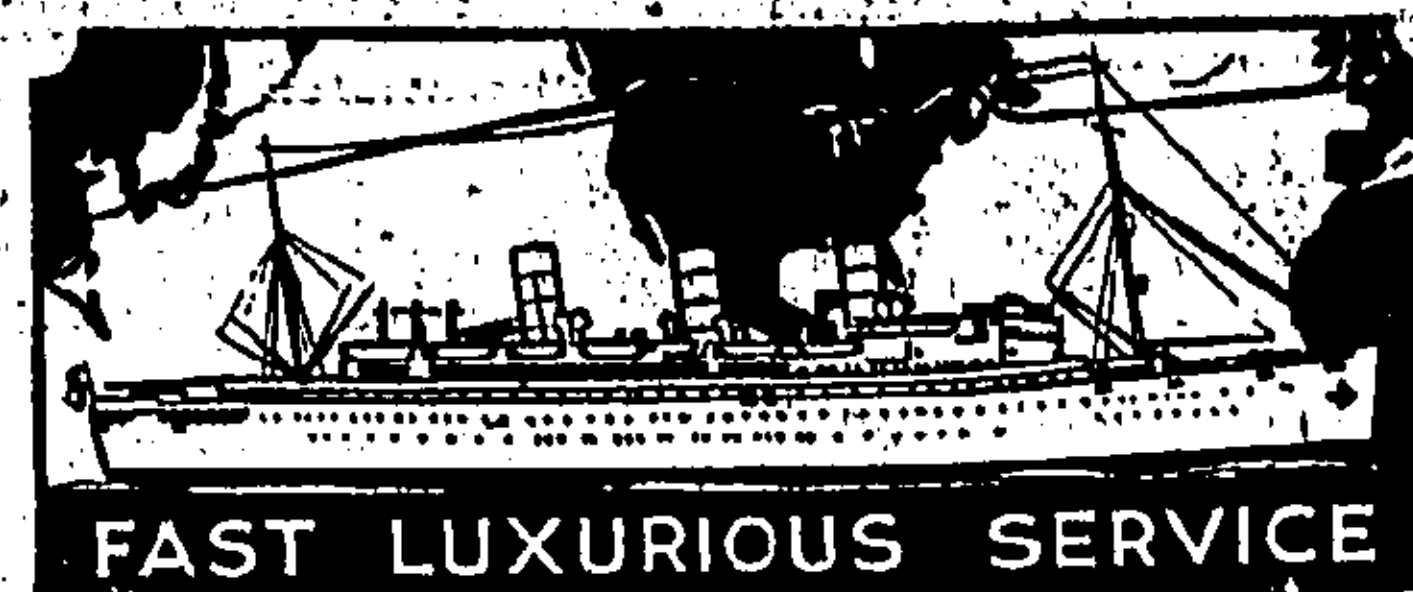
We are deeply grateful for the donations from Clubs and private individuals, and the annual grant of \$1,000 from the Hong Kong Government is a welcome stand-by, it makes us feel we have their sympathy at our back, and while some of us think possibly the grant might be larger, we rest content with the feeling that should the call of necessity arise, they will not turn a deaf ear to our representations.

Police Help

The report read has already conveyed our thanks for valuable assistance rendered by various people and organisations, but I am asked to particularly record our thanks for assistance we have received from the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, Captain Superintendent of Police, and his Department. In dealing with many cases, as you can well understand, it is difficult to always obtain reliable information, information such as is essential in order to know how to act; in this respect Mr. Wolfe has been exceedingly helpful and has lightened the labours of the Committee very considerably.

It is a pleasure to once again record our thanks to the Press of Hong Kong; without their aid our work would never receive the publicity which is essential to all such undertakings as it certainly would not pay the Society to "hide its light under a bushel."

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MIRAPORA	6,715	23rd Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe.
TALMA	10,000	19th Feb.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
NAGAPORA	5,283	1st Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	4th Mar.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
		6th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KHIVRE	9,114	8th Mar.	Shanghai.
SANTHA	7,754	15th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Y'hama & Osaka.
NALDERA	10,088	15th Mar.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
KARMAFA	9,128	22nd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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ORIGIN OF A SPECIAL BRAND

Tong Tea has gained so much popularity locally that not a few are interested to know its origin. In this connection it is interesting to note that this special brand of tea was created by Mr. Tong A-wel, an expert on tea with a world-wide reputation. He is the founder of the China Tea Co., of Shanghai, a branch of which was recently opened in the Colony.

The popular Tong Tea is grown solely in the Keemun district of Anhui Province of China, which has long been famous for its tea because of its being free of tannin, and therefore it has a sweet and delicate flavour which is peculiar to it alone.

The China Tea Co., which owns its own tea gardens in Keemun, has an up-to-date factory which is equipped with all the latest machinery necessary for the preparation and packing in small tins of its tea, which during the short length of time it had been on the local market, has already met with much favour.

For proper enjoyment of this tea, it should be taken without milk, but a little sugar may be added according to taste.

PASSENGER LIST.

ARRIVALS

Passengers arrived by the P. and O. s.s. "Morca" from the North yesterday morning were:—

Miss J. Ellison, Mr. D. L. Newbigging, Col. N. A. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Willis, Mrs. M. Goodwin, Mr. H. C. Pullen, Mr. Yuk Fong, Mr. and Mrs. C. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Lin, Mr. Lam Jaclien, Mr. Lam T. Chung, Mr. Lam Tao-ping, Mrs. A. de Roza, Mr. K. W. Tang, Mr. S. H. Tan, Mr. A. Hoang, Mr. G. F. Stavro, Mr. A. V. E. Westery, Mr. C. E. Hubbard, Mr. Y. C. Lee, Mr. F. C. Lung, Mr. W. S. Dang, Mr. C. P. Lin, Mr. P. F. Lin, Mr. Y. L. Chang, Mr. Ah Kun, Mr. Ah Fong, Mr. C. C. Shilton, Eng. Capt. and Mrs. R. A. Cox, Mr. G. P. Robinson, Mr. A. Q. Prior, Rev. E. G. Hutchinson, Miss Hetherington, Mrs. Yamamoto, Miss K. Shepherd, Mr. P. L. Smith, Miss A. Bignell, Dr. K. Nobel, Mr. G. Euharam, Mr. James Rivers, Mr. N. M. Green, Mr. and Mrs. E. Von Adelund, Maj. A. C. Birch, Dr. R. Sykes, Miss E. Goodenough, Miss M. A. Spinks, Miss A. M. Nickels, Mr. H. C. Russell, Mr. W. R. C. Green, Mrs. A. H. Richter, Lt. Comdr. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Wallace, Mrs. G. S. Hawkins, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Goodacre, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Clarke, Miss J. K. Williamson, Miss B. Glasby, Rev. and Mrs. H. T. Stonehake, Mr. T. W. L. Meckenburgh, Mr. T. H. Poutney, Mr. S. W. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Davidson, Miss K. I. Sweet, Mrs. B. Littleale, Mr. C. Cates, Mr. H. V. Francis, Mr. F. J. Kersley, Mr. T. A. Randall, Mr. J. Lavelle, Mr. W. W. Murdock, Miss N. S. Stevenson, Miss G. M. Trousdell, Mrs. H. Anderson.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The M.V. "Remo" sailed from Singapore last Tuesday, and is due here on Monday.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benledi" from Middlesbro', Dunkirk, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines on Feb. 4, is due to arrive here on Monday.

The Dollar Liner "President Lincoln" will sail Homebound, as per schedule on Tuesday.

The Ben Line s.s. "Benledi" from Middlesbro', Dunkirk, Antwerp, London, Straits and Philippines, is due to arrive here on Wednesday.

The C.F.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" from Hong Kong on Jan. 23, left Yokohama on Thursday at 3 p.m., and is due at Vancouver on Feb. 9.

The C.F.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Australia" (R.W. Cruise) is due at Hong Kong on Feb. 18 at a.m.

The s.s. "Plave" sailed from Karachi on Jan. 28, and is expected here on Feb. 18.

The M.V. "Vimale" sailed from Massawa on Jan. 28, and is expected here on Feb. 28.

Projected arrivals at and departures from Hong Kong of steamers under the management of the Bank Line, Ltd., are as follows:—

Arrivals at Hong Kong

S.S. "City of Khartoum" from Europe, Feb. 24.

S.S. "City of Guildford" from New York, March 2.

S.S. "Rosier" from New York, March 2.

Sailings from Hong Kong

S.S. "Polaris" to Saigon, Feb. 3.

S.S. "City of Madras" to London, Rotterdam and Hamburg, Feb. 9.

S.S. "Myrtlebank" to Boston, New York and Baltimore, Feb. 15.

S.S. "City of Khartoum" to Shanghai and Japan ports, Feb. 25.

S.S. "City of Guildford" to Shanghai, March 3.

S.S. "Rosier" to Shanghai and Japan, March 3.

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS

On London—	
Bank, wire	2/-
Bank, on demand	2/- 1/8
Bank, 30 days' sight	2/- 1/8
Bank, 4 months' sight	2/- 1/8
Credits, 4 months' sight	2/1
Documentary 4 months' sight	2/1 1/2
On Paris—	
On demand	1242 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	1317 1/2
On Berlin—	
On demand	—
On New York—	
On demand	48 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight	50 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire	133 1/4
On demand	133 1/4
On Calcutta—	
Wire	133 1/4
On demand	133 1/4
On Singapore—	
On demand	86 1/2
On Manila—	
On demand	97 1/2
On Shanghai—	
On demand	78 1/2
80 days' sight (private paper)	—
On Yokohama—	
On demand	106 1/2
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	—
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	9.60
Silver (per oz.)	26 5/16
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	2 1/2 % Prem.
Copper Cash	Nominal
Chinese Copper Cents	6 % Prem.
Rate of Native Interest	7 % p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	31 1/2 dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	1/4 % prem.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Yesterday.	
Paris	124.10
New York	4.84 27/32
Brussels	34.89
Geneva	25.21
Amsterdam	12.10 1/4
Milan	92.65
Berlin	20.42
Stockholm	18.14
Copenhagen	18.18
Oslo	18.19
Vienna	34.51
Prague	163 1/2
Helsingfors	192 1/2
Madrid	29.375
Lisbon	109 1/2
Athens	37 1/2
Bucharest	807 1/2
Rio	5 29/32
Buenos Aires	4 1/2
Bombay	1/6
Shanghai	2/6 1/2
Hong Kong	2
Yokohama	1/10 1/4
Silver Spot	26 5/16
Silver Forward	26 1/2

—British Wireless Service.

RAIN RECORD.

BOTANIC GARDENS' REPORT FOR JANUARY

Date	1929	Inch
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Total		1.80 ins.

LOANS FUND

The loans fund account for the year ended March 31, 1927, show that

\$60,817,000 stock was created during the year, realising \$32,091,252 cash, and

\$282,496,482 was in existence at the end of the year.

A Parliamentary grant of \$2,024 had been necessary to meet the deficit.

Details are given of the arrangement with the Irish Free State for the payment of an annuity of \$500,000 a year for twenty years to meet a liability of \$10,345,245 principal, and \$115,582 arrears of interest.

The National Debt Commissioners had written the total down by \$1,894,808, which, with payments of \$222,368 had reduced the outstanding balance to \$8,125,077.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"ELLERMAN" LINE

From EUROPE.

The Steamship "CITY OF PEKIN"

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above steamer are hereby informed that her cargo has been transhipped at Singapore by s.s. "Dollus" which arrived this morning and that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of Holt's Wharf, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 6th February, 1929 will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before 12th February, 1929, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays, between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon, within the Free Storage period of One Week.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THE BANK LINE LTD.

General Agents.

Hong Kong, Feb. 1, 1929.

LLOYD TRIESTINO N. CO.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CHARTERED S.S. "TIMAVO"

From Trieste, Venice, Brindisi, Port Said, Marseilles, Aden, Karachi, Bombay, Colombo, Penang and Singapore.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 31st instant.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th prox. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 16th prox. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th prox. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & CO., LTD.

Agents.

Hong Kong, 30th Jan. 1929.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

Consignees of Cargo ex s.s. "Timavo" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after Feb. 6.

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STILL WATERS

With the advent of the
Traffic first rains of the year
Jams the traffic jam at the
Star Ferry at Kowloon

Point has during the week come
into more prominence than ever—
at least since the last rains of the
old year. No sooner does a
Ferry come in than the ricksha-
pullers make one concerted dash
across from their shelter toward
the exit. It is nothing to them
if the Indian traffic constable
signals them back, and still less
does it concern them if there are
some motor cars coming round the
bend toward the Ferry. All that
they can concentrate upon is to be
ahead of their rival pullers in
picking up passengers from the
Ferry. This traffic jam has, 'tis
true, been commented upon and
condemned time and again in the
past. But suggestion and ex-
postulation alike pass unheeded.
As Ferry passengers are obliged,
whether they like to or not, to
walk down near the Police Pier
for their buses; what is to
hinder prospective passengers by
rickshas crossing over a couple of
yards or so to the shelter
and boarding their man-pulling
vehicles there?

The fact remains
Control that the traffic
Insufficient control at the
Ferry is insuffi-
cient for the ever-growing
traffic, be the weather fine or
otherwise. The Indian traffic con-
stable has quite enough to do to
control the buses and the motor
cars without having to keep a mob
of excitable ricksha-pullers in
order each and every time a
Ferry comes in. The latter is or
should be the job of one man, for
until such is appointed the traffic
jam will continue—as will the con-
stant menace to pedestrians cross-
ing from the Ferry either bent on
catching a bus or walking to their
destinations. The time has past
for merely tinkering with the

traffic jam and relying on Pro-
vidence to avert a serious acci-
dent.

At no time is the traffic
Train congestion so trouble-
some as when the
Canton trains come in
and discharge their cargo of live
freight. Then is there a perfect
stampede both for the Ferry and
for the buses or other vehicles,
requiring the services not of one
but of three or four traffic men to
regulate. The Ferry management,
it must be said, have the good
sense to be prepared for the train
loads of passengers, those bound
for the Ferry being lined up in
queues to buy their tickets or go
through the turnstiles. But those
otherwise bound are left to fend
and fight for themselves on
making their exit from the Rail-
way Station. "Bedlam let loose"
must have been a mild sort of
episode compared with the scene
outside the Station when the Canton
train comes in. It may be,
of course, that the traffic authori-
ties imagine that the accident
statistics are far too low on the
mainland and that a few more
need not cause any uneasiness to
the general public.

Which brings the
Speeding writer to another
Buses favourite theme—the
speeding of
buses. On the Kowloon side
things are not so bad in the day
time and early in the evenings.
But were a "police trap" to be
set for the drivers of some buses
that meet the last Ferry from
Hong Kong, not a few cases would
waste (?) the time of the Magis-
trate at Yau Ma Tei. So far only one
complaint has to be ventilated in
regard to the buses on the Hong
Kong side. The incident occurred
the other night when a green bus
went "tearing" round the corner
opposite Murray Barracks on its
way past the Cricket Club ground
towards the Ferry. Fortunately
there was an absence of other
traffic at that particular corner at
that particular time; otherwise—
well, something sensational might
have appeared in bold headings in
next day's newspapers.

A cognate topic to
Near traffic is that of light-
ing. When the moon
Square fails to materialise,
then is the time to
think of "Safety First." It is
strange that the area in the
vicinity of Statue Square should
be so sparsely provided for in the
way of public lighting. Those
responsible appear to imagine
that the reflection of the lights
from Queen's Pier is quite good
enough both for vehicles and
pedestrians. Why could not a
light be placed on the top of the
Duke of Connaught's statue or at
least very close to it, and of suf-
ficient volume for all practical pur-
poses? Another poorly lighted
thoroughfare is that portion of
Pedder Street between the bus-
stand and the junction of the
road with the Hong Kong and
Kowloon Railway. The Police
Station and the Police Barracks
are well lighted, but the road
itself is in a very dark place.
Nathan Road, past the Police
Training School, is another place
where a light was installed a few
months ago, following an acci-
dent. The light was not, however,
of sufficient power to make a
difference. The time has come
when the authorities should
consider the matter seriously.

It would be inter-
esting to know what
a Policy? then any policy has
been decided upon
by the authorities in regard
to this same stretch of road.
Past the Police Training School
there is a large pond that must
be the happy (or unhappy) breed-
ing water of myriads of mos-
quitoes. The water is generally
regarded as fresh, with a ten-
dency at times to be brackish,
but the edges are considered by
Chinese gardeners to be quite
suitable for purposes of cultiva-
tion, whilst some kind of fish can
be caught in the deepest portions
in the centre of the pond—or
miniature lake. Near by is a
light railway utilised to transport
tons of excavated material from
the hills to a dumping ground on
the Tai Po Road. It would seem
the most natural process to dump
that material into the pond close
at hand and so fill it up (as it
must be filled up some day), but
why it should be carried away in
railway waggons to another site
is one of those mysteries beyond
the ken of the much abused "man-
in-the-street."

At the afore-
mentioned level
Beware of crossing is the
usual barrier,
which is lowered when the light
engine is approaching. At pre-
sent, however, it is hoisted peri-
ciously near a telephone wire, thus
practically inviting a mishap and,
may be, the electrocution of a
passer-by or two. As it is always
wise to be sure than sorry, the
hint is hereby tendered to who-
ever may be "the person in au-
thority" with a view to removing
this certain menace at the earliest
possible moment.

Recently some of
Unmuzzled the good folk of
Kowloon Tong
have been summoned on account
of their dogs being seen outside
their gates by a vigilant police-
man, said dogs having no muzzles
on when so detected "taking an
airing." So long as the muzzling
order is in force, it, of course,
must be observed—in reason—in
spite of any sentiment toward the
unfortunate canines who must by
now hate the very sight of
muzzles. Should the vigilant con-
stantly mentioned care for a
change of beat, with still some
occupation for his idle hands to
do, he could not do better than
transfer his activities to that
portion of Shamshu near the
scene of the recent conflagration
of matcheds and little brick huts.
There are dogs galore there
amongst the collection of huts
just abutting on to the hills at
the back of Kowloon Tong. Some
have muzzles—but some have not.
These latter wander all round the
neighbourhood looking for food
these cold days. If the authori-
ties still deem that it is unsafe
for them to go unmuzzled, it may
be anticipated that the canine
population of the Dogs' Home will
be increased within the next week
or so—or any old time a vigilante
constable can be spared from
looking after the welfare of the
Garden City, alias Kowloon Tong.

Rumour was busy
Smallpox some days ago, it
Records being whispered
that a couple or so
smallpox cases had been brought
ashore from one of His Majesty's
ships in from the North. Daily
examination of the official returns
of smallpox cases failed to throw
any light on the subject, until, a
day or so ago, there appeared the
significant item: "Two British,
imported." Why all this secrecy
even if these were cases from a
British warship?

The Government
In Advance, appears to be in
the running; to
Please! to earn some notori-
ety on account of its strictness
—in some things only. I saw
it on the 5th ult. to issue notices
demanding payment of water
meter rent for the ensuing twelve
months; said notices being well
and truly "served" on those liable
on the 7th ult. Fresh notices
were then made out on the 25th
ult. and issued on the 27th ult.
threatening the cutting off of the
water supply and legal proceed-
ings in the event of the water
meter rent not being paid within
three days. This procedure has
naturally caused a great deal of
perturbation amongst many of the
recipients of these threatening
notices. But there are others
who are more philosophically dis-
posed. These are asking what
will happen if the Government
does not take these notices and "take
legal proceedings for the recovery
of payment of something in ad-
vance? If, as is often the case, a
man goes for a test case to be
brought to decide whether the
Government's action is or is not
justified, and if it is found to be
unjustified, what will happen to
the man who has been taken to
court? Will he be liable for costs?
Will he be liable for damages?
Will he be liable for something or
nothing?

payment in advance is stipulated.
If service has not been actually
given, what can be said? It is
not only demanded, but it is
demanded by threats of legal proceedings?

Ask God to give thee skill
In comfort's art:
That thou may'st consecrate
And set apart
Unto a life of sympathy.
For heavy is the weight of ill
In every heart:
And comforters are needed much
Of Christlike touch.
—A. E. Hamilton.

Mr. J. L. McPherson, on his re-
turn to the Colony from leave,
was welcomed at the time at the
Chinese Y.M.C.A. when Mr. J. H.
Hunt, O.B.E. European Y.M.C.A.,
Kowloon, and Mr. R. D. Arnold
(Y.M.C.A., Yunnanfu) were
among the guests present. Mr.
Y. N. Tsao (general secretary,
Chinese Y.M.C.A.) referred to
Mr. McPherson's service since his
arrival here 24 years ago and paid
a tribute to the gratitude felt him
by the "Y."

Alteration to certain house
numbers in Apichau (the island
off Aberdeen, on the south side
of Hong Kong Island), is notified
in the "Gazette."

HOWLERS SOME LOCAL AND SOME NOT

In a general intelligence paper
set to government clerks last
month some strange replies were
given. Thus:
"H.S.D. stands for Healthy Sani-
tary Department."
"M.O.H. means Money Order
House."
"B. and S. is short for Butterfly
and Swire."
"Broadcasting means widening.
Queen's Road East is being
broadcasted."
"Broadcasting is a river in Eng-
land."
From other sources come the
following:
"A widow is the wife of a corpse."
"Joseph flew from Egypt because
there was a feminine in his
land."
"The Hebrides are the people who
live in Palestine."
"The mulberry is used to feed
silkworms which in their
turn are manufactured into
silk."
"You cannot breathe Carbolic
Acid Gas over again."
"A candle burns for a great many
reasons—to give light, to
give heat, and to save the
expense of both oil and gas."
"Brown bread irritates the in-
testates."
"Anecdotes are the things that
grow behind some people's
noses. People with anecdotes
breathe through the mouth."
"Napoleon divorced Josephine be-
cause she was impregnable."
"Different words for not telling
the truth are lying, mendaci-
ty, fabrication, perjury and
statistics."
"When a London teacher asked
her class what a noun was a
young cockney replied, "A
long thin dog used for
racing."
"Aspirates are white sweets sold
in bottles to make you
sweat."
"De mortuis nil nisi bonum means
Of the dead there is nothing
left but bones."
"A recipe is a piece of paper with
a stamp on it proving that
you have paid your bill."
"The binnacle is the top of a
ship's mast."
"Electrical Engineer is a swank
name for a plumber."

ST. STEPHEN'S GIRLS' COLLEGE HOLD SPEECH DAY

Speech day was observed at St.
Stephen's Girls' College yester-
day, when the headmistress, Miss
Atkins, reported upon a satisfac-
tory year.
Mrs. W. T. Southern, in pre-
sented the prizes, said:
"I accepted Miss Atkins' invita-
tion to be present to-day on con-
dition that I did not speak and
yet here I am on my feet prepar-
ing to break my resolutions. But
I shall not keep you for long. As
I know for one thing, the Bishop
wants his tea." (Laughter.)
This is not a speech—it is merely
an expression of my pleasure at
being here to-day among the teach-
ers and pupils of St. Stephen's
Girls' College. Girls at St. Ste-
phen's are thoroughly at home. I must
confess that there are two limitations
and it almost impossible to
raise any other subject for
discussion."

TRAPS BYRAPS NOT!

Two college students were ar-
raigned before the magistrate,
charged with huddling the low
spots in the road in their motor
car.

"Have you a lawyer?" asked
the magistrate. "We're not going
to have any lawyer," answered the
students. "We've decided to
tell the truth."

Jones: "Sorry to keep you
waiting, old man, but I've been
setting a trap for my wife."
James: "What do you sus-
pect?"
Jones: "A mouse in the pan-
try."

Manageress: "Yes, in teaching
shorthand and typewriting we are
strong on accuracy."
Inquirer: "How are you on
speed?"
"Well, the last girl we sent out
married her employer in three
weeks."

"I've just been to the hospital
to see a sick friend, and took him
a bottle of whisky, but they
wouldn't allow me to leave it for
him," said Sandy.

"But, mon, you might have
known that!"
"Yes, I kent that well enough,
but it was a kind action of mine,
wasn't it?"

Plumber: "I've come to fix that
old tub in the kitchen."
Youngster: "Mother, here's
the doctor to see the cook!"

Owner of "Baby Austin," hav-
ing run short of petrol, asked at a
garage for a pint of petrol.
"A pint?" said the attendant.
"Lumme, are you weaning it?"

Professor: "You have now been
in my service exactly thirty years,
I believe, Mary?"
Faithful Domestic (expectant-
ly): "Yes, sir."

Professor: "Well, as a reward
for your faithful services, I have
decided to name after you the new
species of beetle I have just dis-
covered."

Mrs. Smith: "I never walk
under a ladder I think it's most
unlucky."
Mrs. Brown: "Well, I call that
silly. I just place the tips of the
little fingers together, bend the
other three into the palm, cross
the thumbs, and say 'magnum
bonum, and walk right under any
ladder. If you do that you're
perfectly safe. I cannot stand
silly superstitious myself."

Scot (in a New York post-
office): "What's yer charge for
sending a wire to Chicago?"
Clerk: "Five cents per word,
signature free."

Scot (after a slight pause):
"Weel, I'll just send ma signa-
ture."
Clerk: "Well, what's your
name?"

Scot: "Ye mebbe wanna be-
lieve me, bit I'm a Red Indian, an
ma name is 'I-won't-be-home-
till-Friday'."

The village band were out dur-
ing the holidays, and called at the
house of the Colonel, who was a
most irritable person and had a
dislike for bands. Consequently
when they began to play he came
out and said to the conductor:
"Confound you, sir. If you
don't take that noise away I shall
send for the policeman."

But the conductor was equal to
the occasion: "You can't very
well, sir," he smilingly said, "e's
one of us. That's 'im playin' the
trombone."

school or to a garden. I think per-
haps it is because they are both
ful of young growing things
and there is a great charm to
older folk in young growing
things. I find in the schools of
Hong Kong both vitality and in-
spiration. The pupils are encour-
aged not only to pick the flowers
of knowledge but also to sow the
seeds of social service. Both in
school and out of school the splen-
did influence of their untiring
teachers is felt and seen. I con-
gratulate St. Stephen's on its suc-
cessful speech day. I wish it suc-
cess throughout the year.

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Chan Wai, Chan Daisy Ho, Kwok
Pui Chee, Doris Law, Irene Mok.
Juniors
Kathleen Emma (Scholarship
Cup), Li Sau Man, Esther Lyeon,
Caroline Bagg, Leung Yik Tang,
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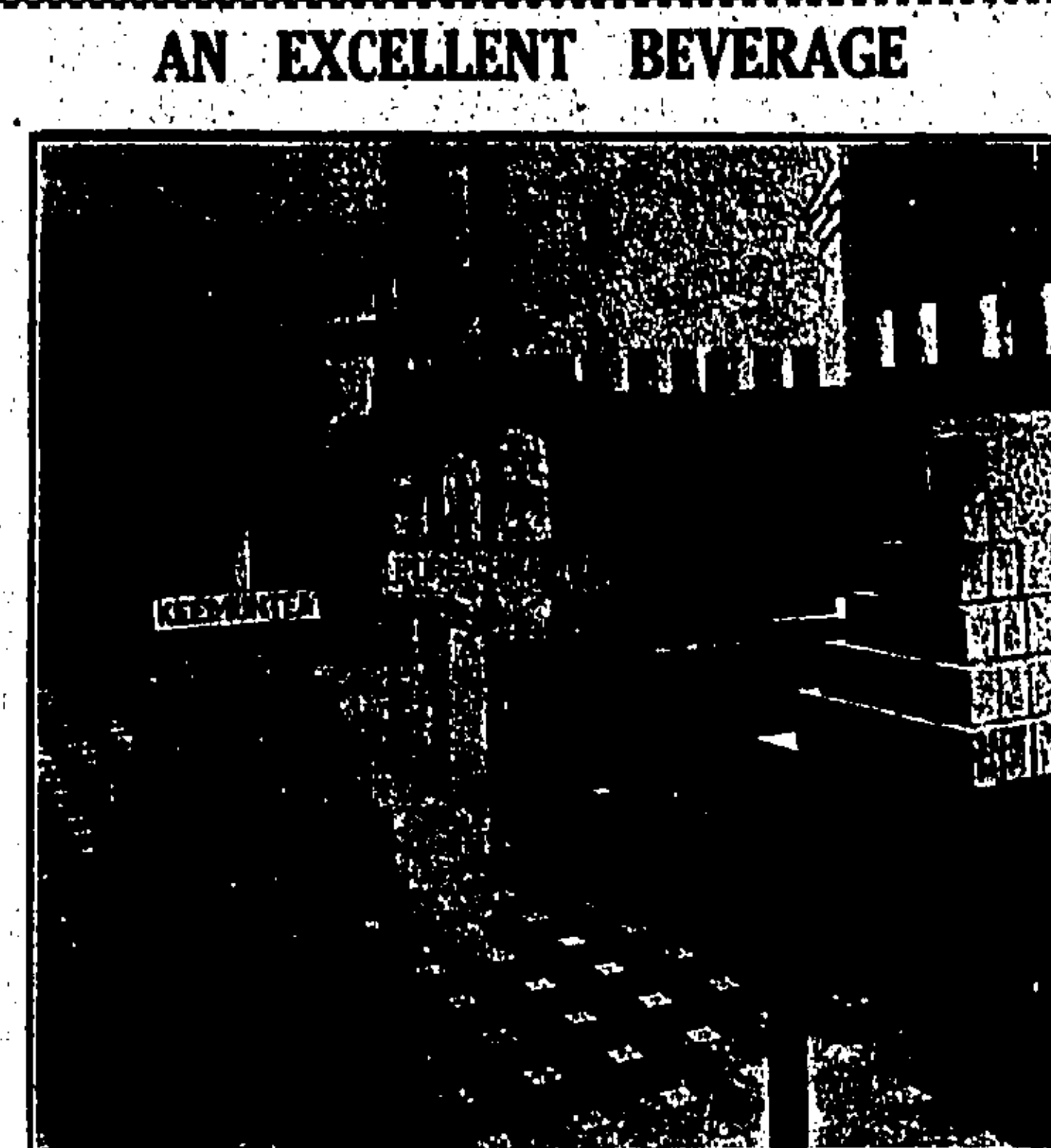
GUARDSMAN'S HEADGEAR.—
"Sun Sai Lun," an actor in the
Tai Law Tin troupe, wearing
headgear like that to be seen in
London.



BASEBALL VISITORS.—The Chinese baseball team of Hawaii, who passed through the Colony on the s.s. "President Lincoln," en route from Shanghai to Manila. They were entertained on the roof of China-building where the above photo was taken. They are expected to return in a few months.—(By courtesy of Mr. Charlie Wong).



\$60,000 A YEAR.—Mr. Ma Shee-tsang, the famous Cantonese "star," whose salary is \$60,000 a year, in his favourite pose.



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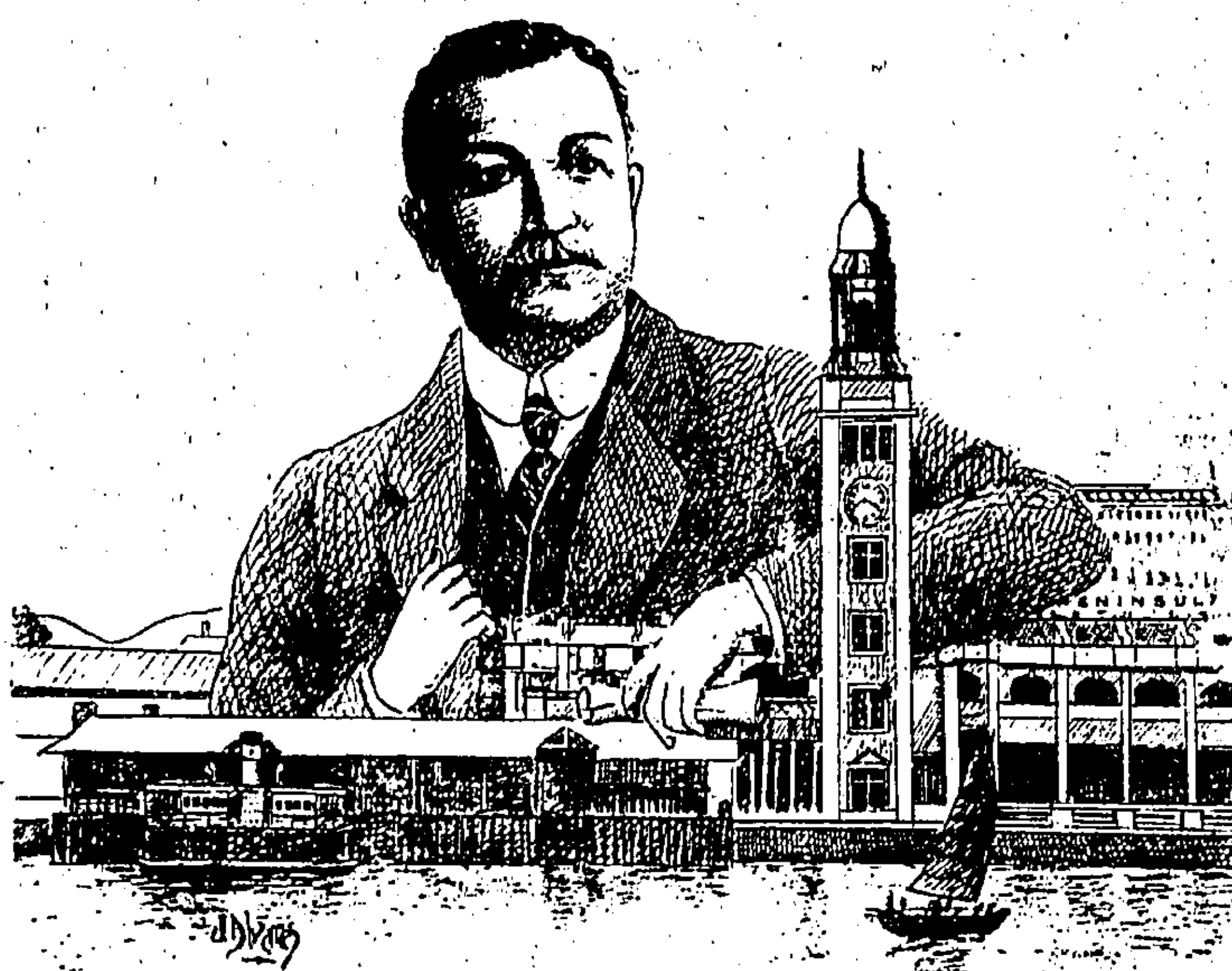
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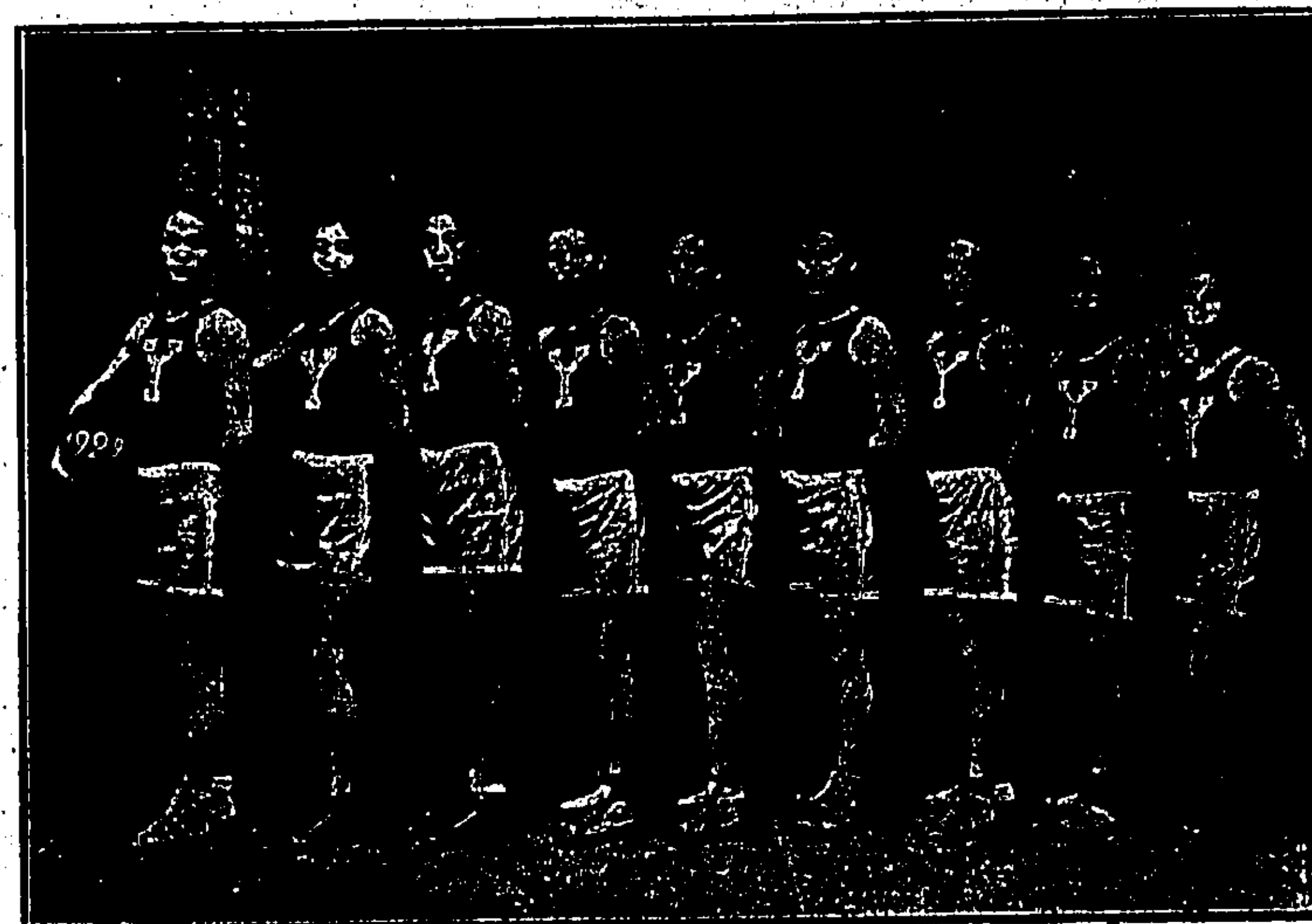
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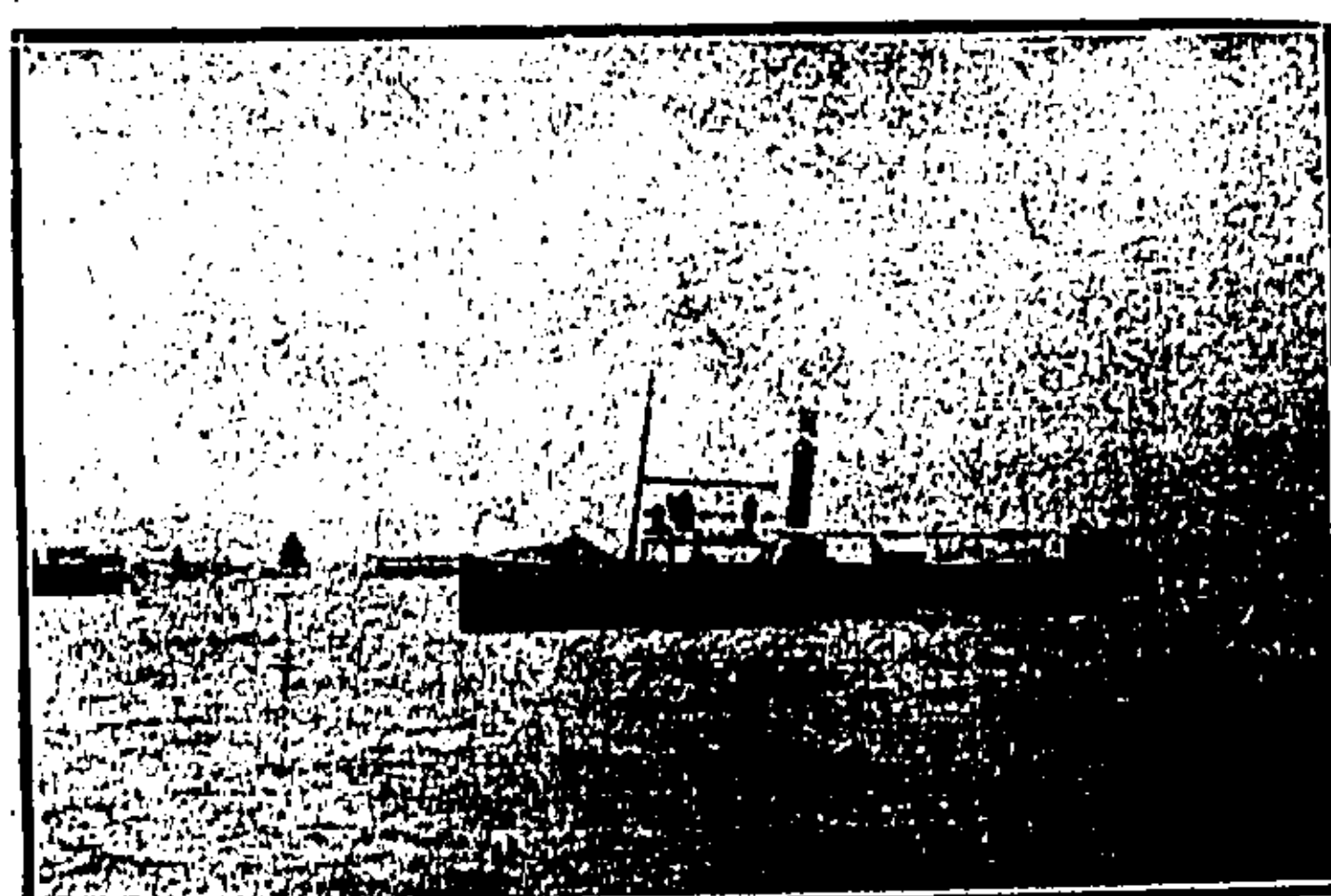
MARSHAL LI CHAI-SUM'S BROTHER.—Mr. Li Chai-man, a medical graduate of Heidelberg, who has just returned to China and is in charge of one of the military hospitals in Canton.—(By courtesy of Mr. Charlie Wong).



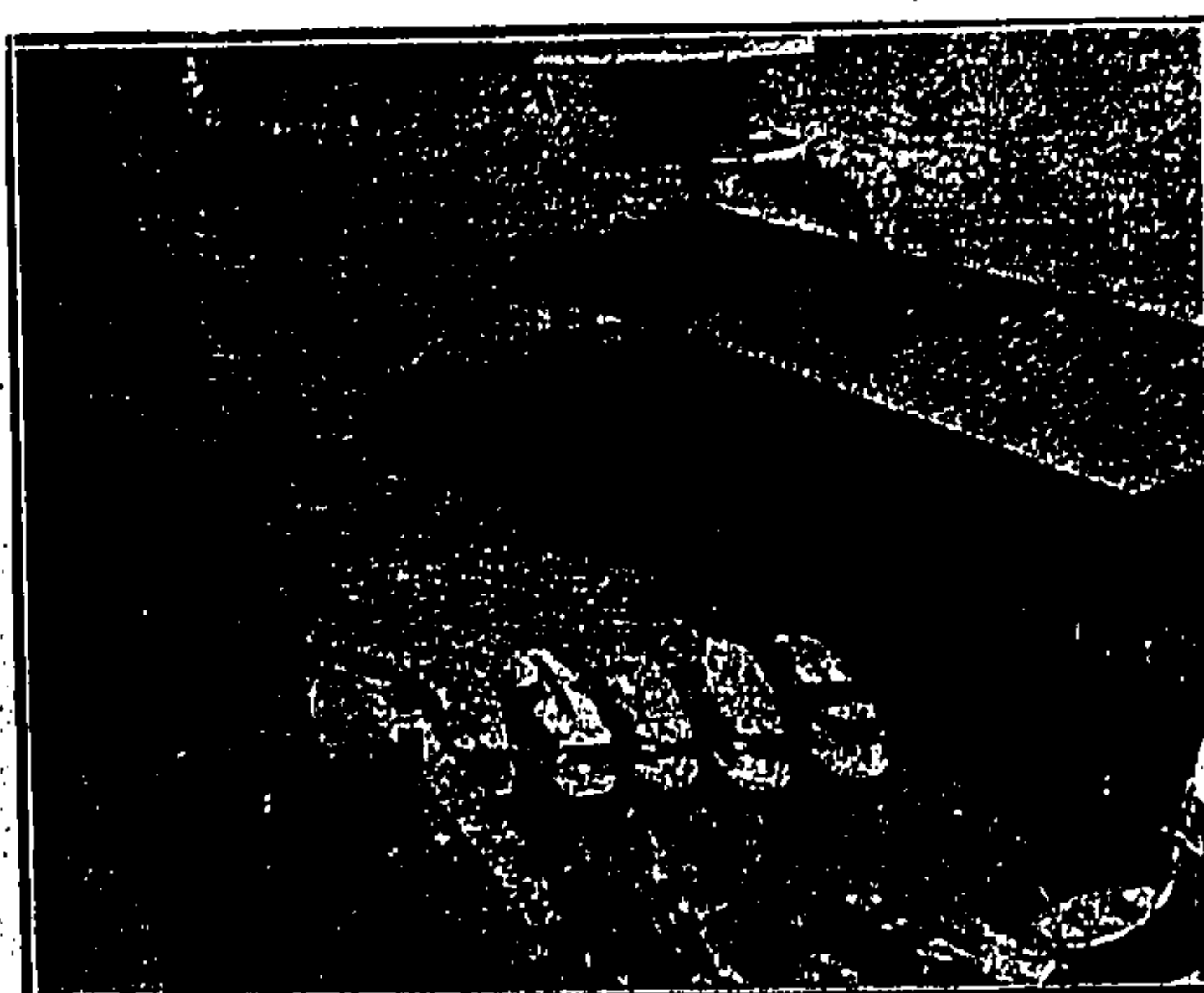
THE HON. MR. J. P. BRAGA, senior Legislative Council member for Kowloon, has the Peninsula in his grasp.



CHINESE Y.M.C.A. BASKETBALL TEAM OF 1929.—One of the nine teams in the Open League Basketball Association. From February to April, matches are played on Monday and Thursday evenings at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., Bridges-street. Leung Hsu-on, captain of the team seen in picture, is standing seventh from the left.



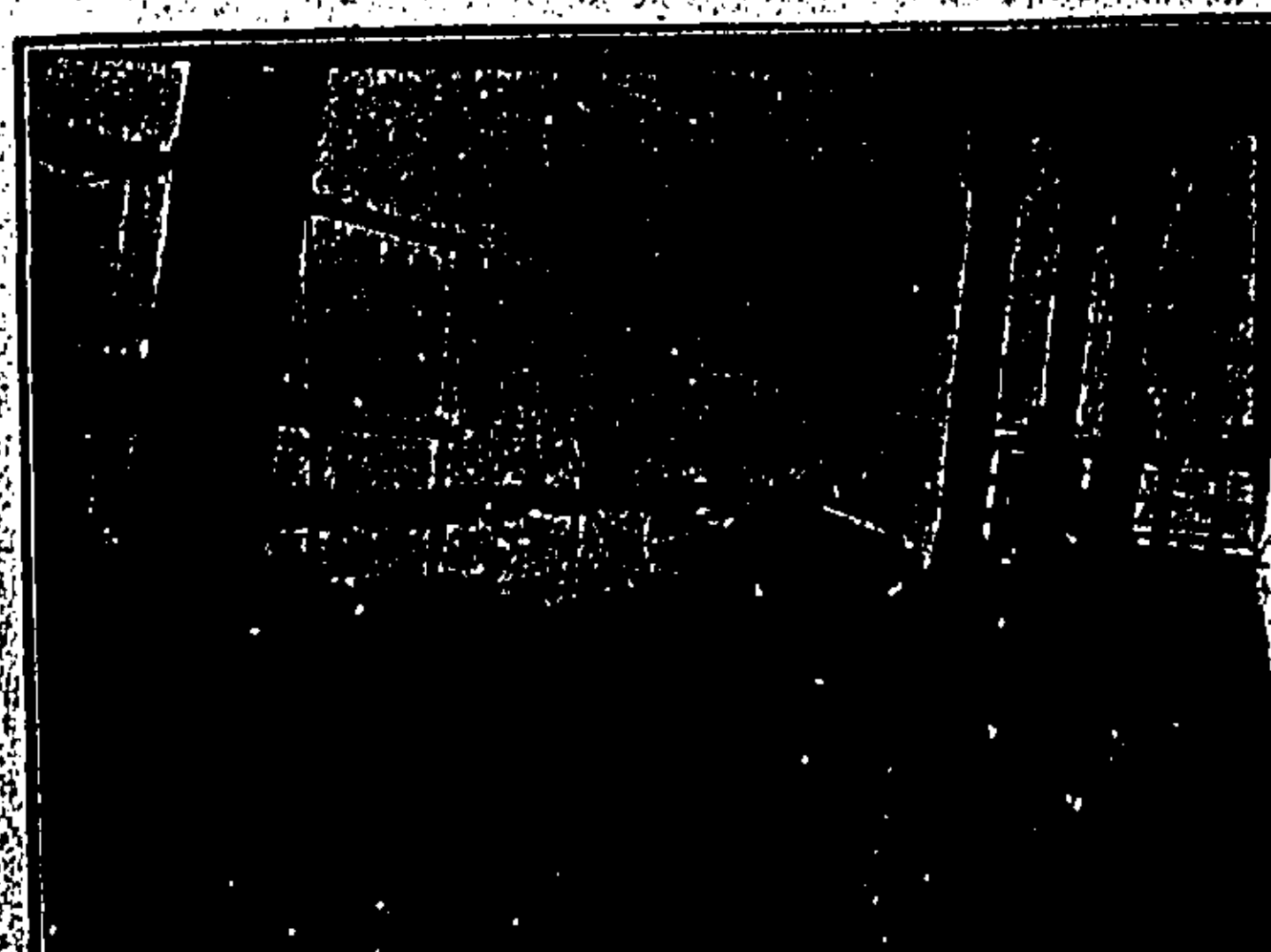
HIGH SEA WORK.—Note how the vessel is boarded-in for safe going in rough weather.



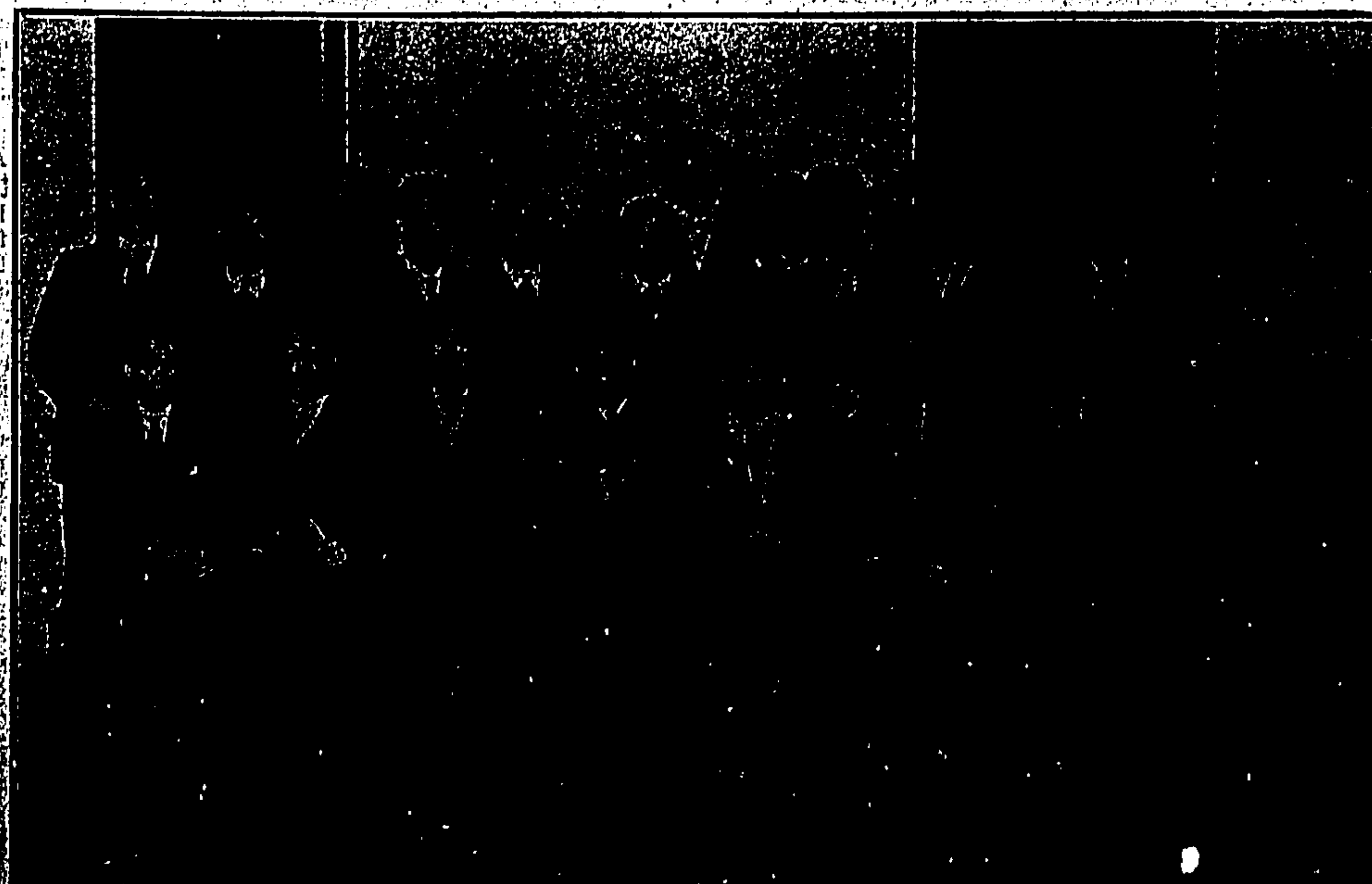
AMONG THE WALLA-WALLAS AND NATIVE CRAFT.—A typical waterfront scene in Hong Kong.



HOCKEY TEAM.—Of the Machine Gun Co., 2nd Bn, King's Own Scottish Borderers, winners of the Wilkinson Hockey Cup, 1928-1929.—(K. Fujiyama).



IN HONG KONG HARBOUR.—Loading of a ship in Hong Kong Harbour.



THE NIPPOON CLUB.—Members of the Nippon Club, holding a meeting at the Nippon Club, Whiteaway Building, (K. Fujiyama).

THE "MAIL'S" FASHIONS ILLUSTRATED

Muffs Make Bid for Popularity



The muff will once again make an effort to achieve popular appeal. They are shown in all sorts of shapes and in most of the flat furs. In general they are small and are designed for comfort as well as chic.

Once upon a time the muff played an important part in the winter ensemble. It either matched fur trimming on the coat, the fur coat itself or was worn with a fur scarf. To-day the appeal is not so general but the sight of the new little muffs is refreshingly quaint and threatens to gain a hold upon popular interests once more.

Muffs are made in several shapes. They are all small, although not so tiny as to appear ridiculous and superfluous. Slender, flat shapes are an ideal choice to accompany the elaborate coats of mink or Persian lamb. They generally possess shaped sides and come without a place for purse and vanity articles. These are, of course, of the most dressy variety.

Many of the muffs are fitted with purses and concealed, powder cases and mirrors. Many of these are shaped like a handbag and have a pointed flap which makes them open like any other pocketbook. The openings at the sides of the muffs are small and shaped and are lined with satin. These muffs serve sports and shopping purposes splendidly as they exert a new appeal in accessories as well as eliminate the need of the pocketbook.

The pocketbook is quite a factor in many of these new muffs. Those larger, flat shaped muffs which are made to fit over the coat cuff are fitted with pocketbook, vanity case and cigarette case and the openings are so made that the openings do not show.

Then there is the small, round

muff which comes with or without extra purse. The opening for the hands is small and a silk cord is supplied to slip over the arm when the muff is not in use. These in squirrel, mole, krimmer, softskin, caracul and leopard as well as beaver, supply a needed demand for daytime. The monkeyskin muffs are very smart when worn with afternoon frocks of black velvet. The very formal appearance, too, are heightened when the muff is made of cloth and fur.

Billie Dove has hastened to add a note of chic to the carrying of muffs this winter. In her latest First National picture, "The Night Watch," Miss Dove is seen wearing a stunning ensemble which adds a muff for a new note. It is of satin and chinchilla and accompanies a costume of the same combination. Miss Dove has favoured the round muff of rather small appearance.

THE MAGIC DROP

A drop of "Vapex" looks very small, but, when placed on the handkerchief its effects are far-reaching. A single inhalation is sufficient to bathe all the complicated passages of nose and throat in an antiseptic atmosphere. "Vapex" grows stronger on exposure to air, and it is, therefore, very economical in use.

JEWELLERY CONCEITS

Some of the prettiest of the new jewellery conceits are pendants consisting of bunches of grapes—in jade and amethyst. New "roller" chokers have discs of gold inset with jade or coral. More brilliant than ever are the shoe buckles of tiny coloured stones that are enjoying a vogue just now.

YOUR CHILDREN

BE FRIENDS WITH THEM

BRIBERY AND THREATS

[By The Hon. Mrs. St. Aubyn]
What is the goal we aim at when we talk of bringing our children up? I suppose parents on the whole are ambitious. They want their children to grow up successful at work and at games and to be honest, straightforward, popular people. If we pause to think we may find we are apt to confuse real qualities with superficial ones which only go to make up charm. What qualities do modern methods of education tend to develop? On the whole the answer would be, I think, independence of thought and action combined with the realisation that the individual is but a part of a whole.

Ruling by Emotions
The old-fashioned method of giving orders without explaining the reason has fallen into disrepute. We realise that the only orders worth carrying out are those executed by a comprehending mind. Only by understanding an order will a child be convinced that it is wise. Without this conviction we should receive from the youngster lip service only. Bribery and threats no longer hold the day.

But do we, by our explanations and attention to the feeling of the children, tend to make them too self-centred and priggish? Control and obedience brought about by discipline are apt to take away initiative and self-reliance. But discipline relaxed and freedom given to the inexperienced are also devaluing.

Definite faults, such as lying and stealing, are easier to cope with in these days when grown-up people are willing to devote more time to the study of the child's point of view. They now try to find out the motive and remove the cause before condemning a child. How much faults are due to heredity is a moot point, but that the faults of children are very much the outcome of the home atmosphere is fully recognised. Parents believe in the influence of example and therefore take care to choose those in charge of their children carefully.

The danger of ruling a child by playing on his emotions; either those of fear or of love, has been criticised. The fact that the removal of temptation is merely an evasion and not a way of strengthening character is also felt, and what I can but call the "force of habit" is highly valued to-day.

Co-operation

Another point of view to be found in all modern teaching is that what we receive voluntarily is more effective than what is forced on us. And so co-operation between children and adults is one of the first things attempted by those interested in children. To work as an individual towards an ideal, to receive rewards for the common good, to know that one's actions affect the mass, to acquire a sense of responsibility and a feeling of independence.

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Negligees Varied



There is so much variety in the types of negligees used that every taste may be satisfied in the winter selection of tea gowns and negligees. Just as the dress mode is expressed in terms of variety, the boudoir reflects the modern spirit and appears modishly feminine in ostrich, ruffles and lace or is severely simple in stiff moire and satins.

Doris Dawson, who is smartly outfitted in general in First National's "Naughty Baby," has chosen a distinctly feminine type of negligee to wear in this motion picture. Miss Dawson has chosen a simple and rather old-fashioned negligee of the kimono outline in peach coloured satin. The elongated sleeves, neck and hem are trimmed with curly ostrich that adds to its note of youthful frivolity and femininity. The ostrich trimming is its chief feature, as otherwise the simplicity of the boudoir robe is marked.

In general, the negligee mode is becoming more complicated. A wide choice of fabrics lends interest to the boudoir. Moire, brocades and faille silks as well as chiffons and satins are found in all sorts of interesting silhouettes. The sophisticated aspect is represented in deep eshawl collars, flounces, tiers, scarfs and trains. Richness of fabric is reflected in the gleaming beauty of silk and the lustre of metallic threads.

Negligees come in one, two and three pieces. There are those designed solely for comfort which are quilted and warm and those which are used solely for decorative purposes. The boyishness and freedom of the pyjama mode is matched with the distinctly feminine appeal of draperies and the exotic uses of gleaming laces colourfully blended in strange silhouettes.

FOR THE YOUNG GIRL

Sashes and ribbons are worn by young girls. Flowers made of the same fabric as the dress are still used for "little" restaurant frocks. For more elaborate dance dresses there are the most elegant and effective trails of jewel-tipped blooms in silk and velvet.

ence are the keynotes of these methods and teaching.

Personal Rewards
Parents now recognise the harmful results of the following three causes and effects:

That personal rewards may tempt a child to cheat.

That fear makes children lie.

That repression has many evils.

All these and many other lines of thought have come to the fore in recent years. Parents and educationists aim on behalf of the children at perfection of mind and body on the simplest lines and try and inculcate in children's minds the knowledge of self-mastery in order that they may attain the highest ideals towards which they are capable of working.

How successful these new methods will be of encouraging greater freedom in intercourse between children and grown-ups, we cannot yet judge.

But undoubtedly it is pleasant to be friends with one's children, as is the case to-day, than to be stiff and cold as in the days when children addressed their parents as "sir" and "madam." In those days children hardly knew their parents as part of their daily and intimate life, but thought of them as separate beings to be looked up to rather than loved intimately.

FRAU RAT

TITLES COVERED BY GERMAN WOMEN

BERLIN JEALOUS

Berlin.—The Bavarian Government gave great pleasure last Christmas to several hundred persons by conferring upon them the title of Rat in all its wonderful variety. The word means a councillor, a title which every German covets, and to be a Frau Rat is the ambition of every German woman.

How pleased, for instance, the sausage manufacturer (in Bavaria they politely call him the meat-ware industrialist) Herr Haselberger, of Aichach, or the wholesale grocer, Herr Well, of Munich, must be now that everybody addresses them as Commercial Rat.

Secret Rat

Perhaps this year, like several persons in the Honours List, they will rise to the rank of Secret Commercial Rat. Their friends will miss out the word "Commercial," which is not after all very distinguished, and just give them the title of Secret Rat—that is to say, Privy Councillor.

Among the other titles are:—Justice-Rat (given, oddly enough, to one or two bankers), Secret-Sanitary-Rat, Veterinary-Rat, Trade-Rat—which was conferred upon a butcher and carpenter—and Labour-Rat—conferred on a miner, print-setter in a newspaper office, a brewery worker, and many others.

And if you meet a Secret-Upper-Financial-Rat or his wife, do not address them as Herr or Frau Muller or whatever the name happens to be, or you will give great offence. Please be careful to say Herr (or Frau) Geheimoberranzant.

ATTRACTIVE BRIDGE COATS

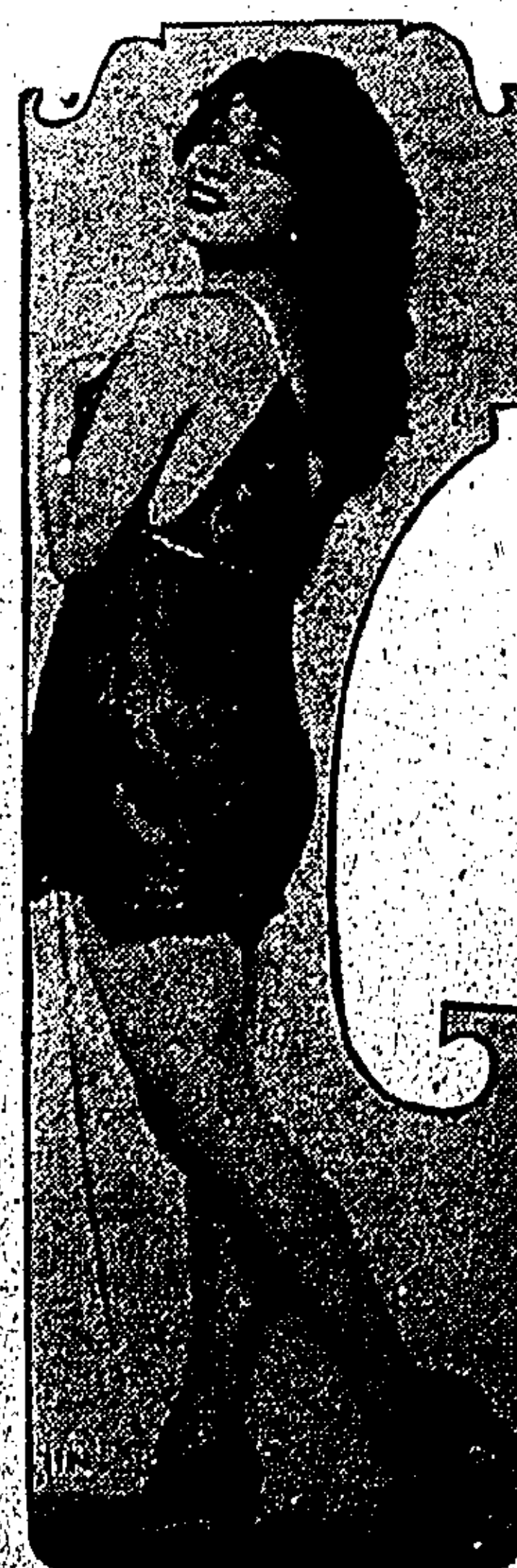
[By The Hon. Mrs. C. W. Forester in "Daily Telegraph"]

Among a galaxy of beautiful garments denoting the varying ways of fashion, it is always pleasing to turn to those extras that spell charm and comfort in one's own home. For the country house the claims of the dinner coat have been very persistent. The most delightful examples now seem to have become part of the evening wardrobe, and one which assists in our being able to retain the sleeveless frock. But the dinner, bridge, and tea coat of to-day, in their correct conception, do not in the least suggest "do-ups" by the home dressmaker. They are just delicious and magnificent "extras" designed for special requirements, expressing originality and individuality.

Lame or metal brocade, in glorious blurred tones, is one of the most effective fabrics for a collarless bridge coat. Gold, green, rose, and black all appear in this particular design, while a lining of pink chiffon-velvet provides effective warmth. Instead of a collar, the model is bound by a plain golden border, with a scarf of the same, lined with the floral patterned lame.

After wearing large fur collars all day, it is a pleasing change to

From Paris



Lace from the Rue de la Paix. They weigh almost nothing, are pleasing to the figure and are designed to be worn under the new close-fitting creations. Of course, they are expensive.

Black With Chinese Embroidery



This luxurious pyjama ensemble set consists of a black crepe silk sleeveless jumper, worn with trousers and a hip-length jacket. The Chinese influence is noticeable in the lavish gold-embroidered trimming on both jacket and trousers.

go without and leave the coiffure undisturbed. There are many new ways of finishing necks without resorting to the usual collared effects. The border of contrasting fabrics is also helpful in a colour-scheme. There are so many shades involved in these metal brocades that it is not difficult by such methods to emphasise the one that best becomes oneself.

Linings this season have represented the warm part of a garment, as there seems such a continuous demand for the floral chiffons, decorative taffetas, and crepes, which, unless lined with velvet, are altogether too cool for winter comfort. Naturally, such things must be arranged in accordance with our individual modes of life. One hears almost an equal amount of grumbling about overheated rooms as about the too cold ones. In any case, the coat or cape that is part of the frock, and can be slipped on and off, is a fantasy of fashion that few of us care to be without.

On the Ice

How well black velvet looks for skating, or rinkin'. I was struck by the appearance of a narrow row of box-pleated skirt arranged from a pointed fitted yoke back and front, worn with one of the new very short tailored coats, lined with a bright green-and-white silk and wool fabric to match a striped jumper. A small scarf of half-velvet and half black broadtail matched a close-fitting cloche of the same.

A slim girl looked delightful, skating in black velvet breeches and tunic worn with a sporting black-and-white wool cap, scarf, and gloves. Blue suede represents a short sports coat that is well worn over a pleated skirt in blue and grey tweed, with jumper, a grey beaver hat, and grey broadtail choker-scarf.

Close-Fitting Hats

For winter the close-fitting hat must remain popular; it is so cosy as well as chic, though a small shape is not chic unless it absolutely defines the silhouette of the head. There is something almost medieval in the modern caps of fur and felt. Broad bands of fur are worn, entirely covering the ears (shall we all become deaf, I wonder?) with a fitted top and back of felt.

In a new collection from Paris I saw, at least half-a-dozen popular shapes that entirely covered the ears—a method that struck me as quite dangerous in these days of traffic difficulties. It is not helpful to be run over, even if we do escape chilblains! In reality, such novelties are more caps than hats, and where they suit are becoming, and, of course, deliciously cosy for winter.

On the other hand, a slightly more decorative and picturesque trend in millinery, has been noticeable in models going South. A wide insertion of beige broadtail in a felt hat with wide brim was worn with a graceful scarf of the same fur. A black chiffon-velvet turban has a cluster of black-and-white osprey placed right across the back. A rose-coloured taupe is drawn up into a cluster of silk pom-poms.

Despite the charm of black hats, there are prophecies that brilliantly coloured and larger headgear will be a feature in New Year's fashions, though, as long as fur plays so important a part, sombre shades and small shapes will remain. The beret, so difficult for English women to wear, is still an important Paris vogue.

Young Folk's Fashions

The picturesque note in all fanciful vogues is always charmingly exploited by youth. From a practical point of view floral taffeta and the sprigged volles and ninons all wear well, retaining their crispness. Plain taffeta is useful, as the changes can be rung with coloured sashes that always suit children. The stiff circular taffeta skirts retain their shape better than the pleated ones for dance and play.

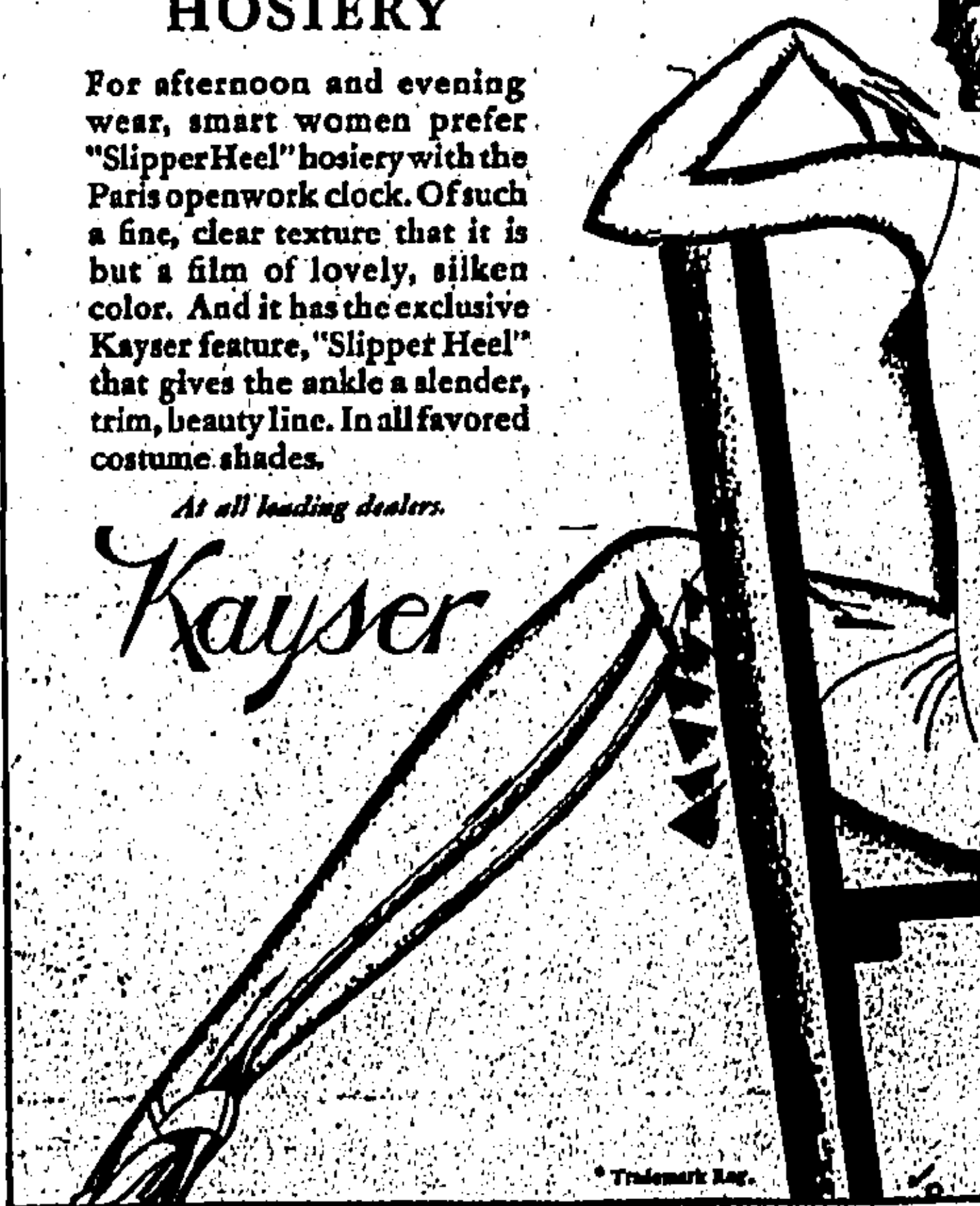
A sweet little party frock, recalling the romantic period, is in a black stiff silk with a design of tiny rose-buds. This is simply made as a quaint Victorian corsage, with its rounded neck and short sleeves, joined to a circular scalloped skirt with pipings. Celanese fabrics are also excellent for children's wear, the lupin-blue Malika being a special favourite. Dickins and Jones have a very attractive selection of children's party frocks, and offer many bargains.

Kayser SLIPPER HEEL HOSIERY

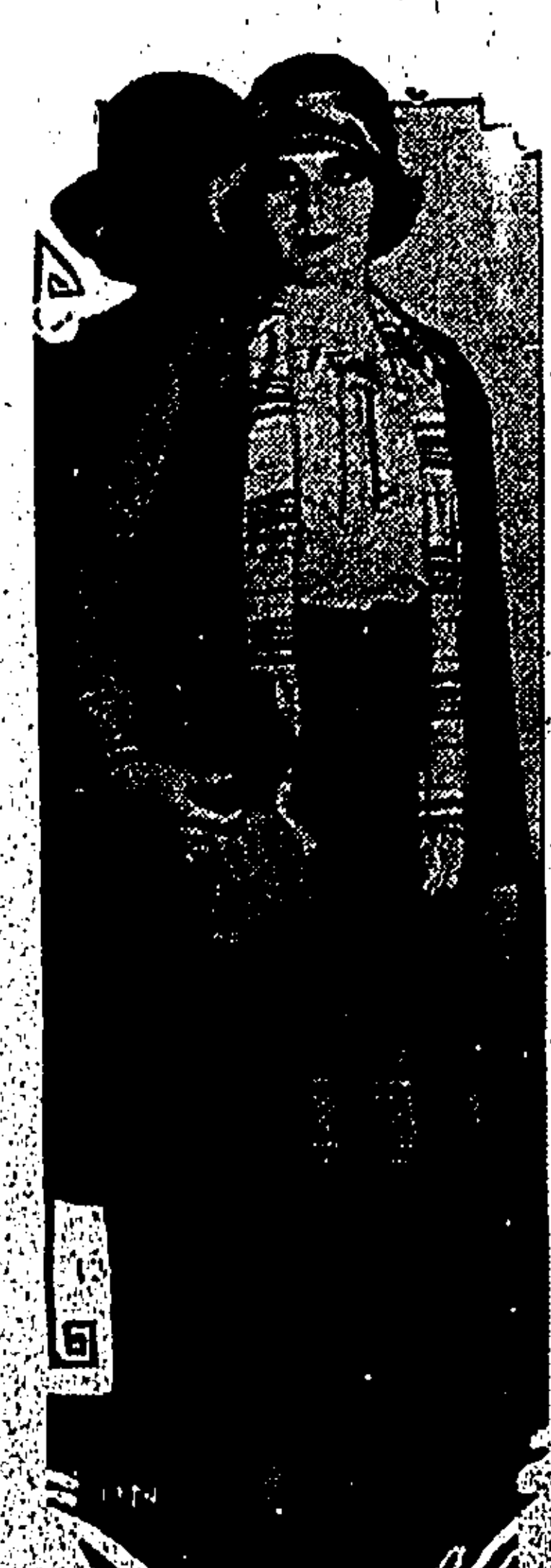
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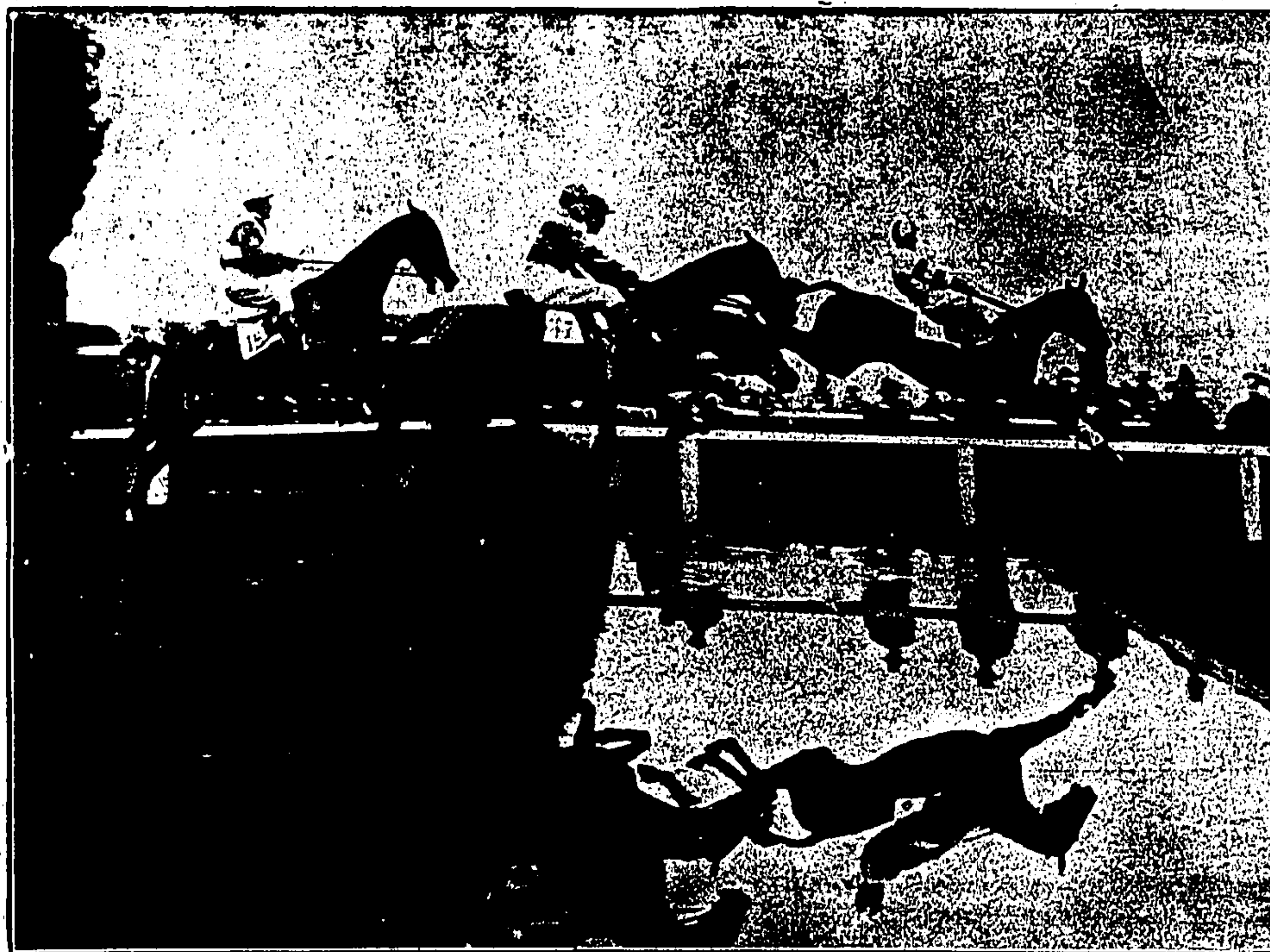
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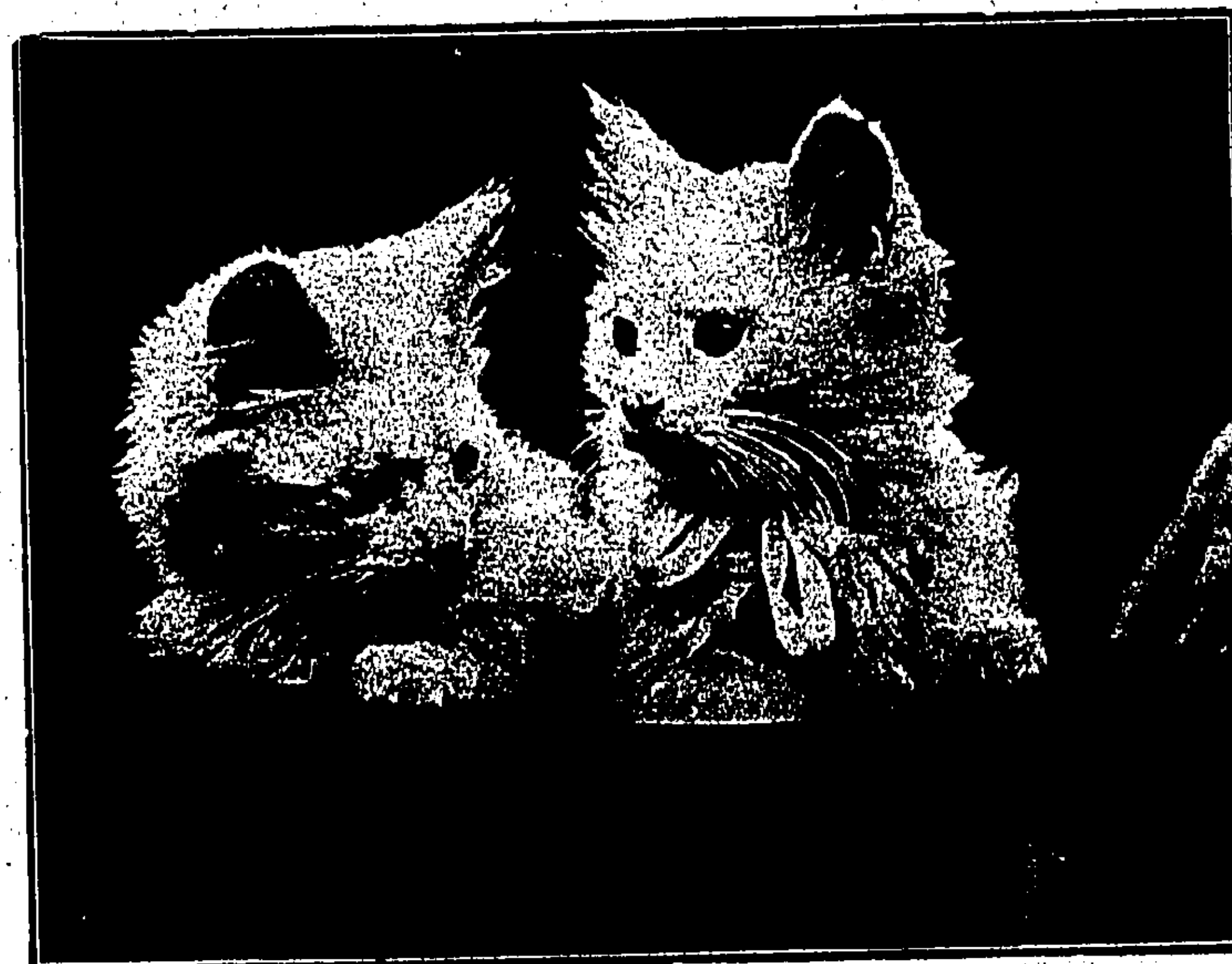
BISHOPS CONFIRM ELECTION OF ARCHBISHOP OF YORK IN LONDON CHURCH WHERE HE WAS RECTOR FOR FOUR YEARS.—The election of Dr. William Temple, Bishop of Manchester, as the new Archbishop of York, was confirmed by a Royal Commission of Bishops at St. James' Church, Piccadilly, London. Dr. Temple was Rector of this church for four years during the war, 1914—1918. Photo shows the procession on the way for the ceremony.—Dr. Temple is second from the right.—(Sport and General).



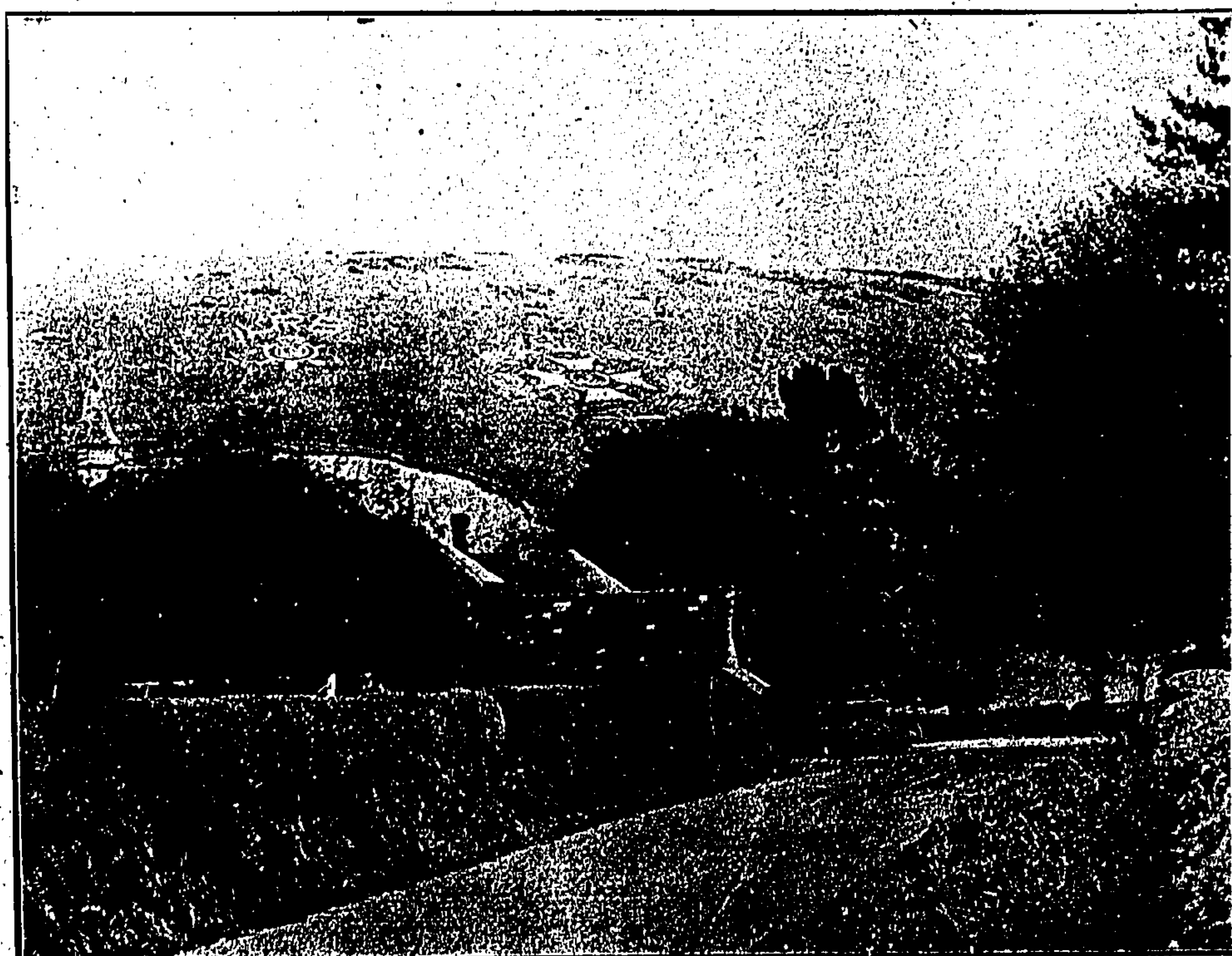
NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS AT ONE OF LONDON'S LEADING HOTELS. USHERING IN "1929" IN PICTURESQUE MANNER AT THE MAY FAIR HOTEL, BERKELEY SQUARE, W.—"Hogmanay," piping in the New Year Scottish fashion. Miss Belle Harding's Scottish troupe led by Douglas Taylor, bring in the New Year. The ladies in rear are the Hon. Moira Lonerieff (daughter of Lord Moncrieff) and the Hon. Joan Grant (daughter of Lord Strathspey).—(Sport and General).



STEEPLECHASING AT NEWBURY OLD YEAR MEETING, FIRST DAY.—"Reflections at the water jump," in the Theale Handicap Steeplechase. Mr. Hutchinson's "Hard Court" (the winner, on left, No. 15), Mr. Law's "Non Plus" (No. 17) and Mr. H. Napier-Magill's "India's Charm" (No. 8).—(Sport and General).



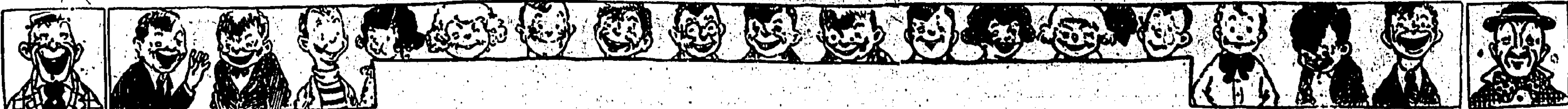
BEAUTIFUL EXHIBITS WERE SEEN AT THE CROYDON CAT CLUB'S CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW AT CROYDON, SURREY.—"A sprightly interest in life." These two little long-haired white Persian kittens make a charming study as they view life from the depths of a bowler hat. (Sport and General).



REGIMENTAL BADGES FASHIONED DURING THE WAR IN CHALK ON THE DOWNS NEAR FOYANT, WILTSHIRE, ARE AGAIN VISIBLE, HAVING BEEN CLEARED OF THE GROWTH WHICH HAS OBSCURED THEM FOR SOME TIME. THE DESIGNS ARE BEING CLEARED BY VOLUNTARY HELP OWING TO RECENT ADVERSE CRITICISM IN THE PRESS BUT THERE ARE STILL NUMEROUS BADGES AND SYMBOLS TO BE CLEARED.—Photo is of a picturesque view of the badges of the London Rifle Brigade, the K.R.E., and the wording "Drums." Crests of regiments in Hong Kong have been similarly worked on the hills overlooking Fanning in the New Territories.—(Sport and General).



POOR CRIPPLED CHILDREN SEND FLOWERS TO H.M. THE KING.—Cripples, who were given a tea at the Cripples Parlour, Twig Folly Mission Hall, Bethnal Green, London, asked that the flowers which decorated the tables should be sent to the King from themselves. This was carried out and a messenger boy received them from the cripples and took them to Buckingham Palace. The Cripples Parlour received an acknowledgment from H.M. the Queen. The cripples are shown handing over the flowers to the messenger boy who took them to the Palace.—(Sport and General).



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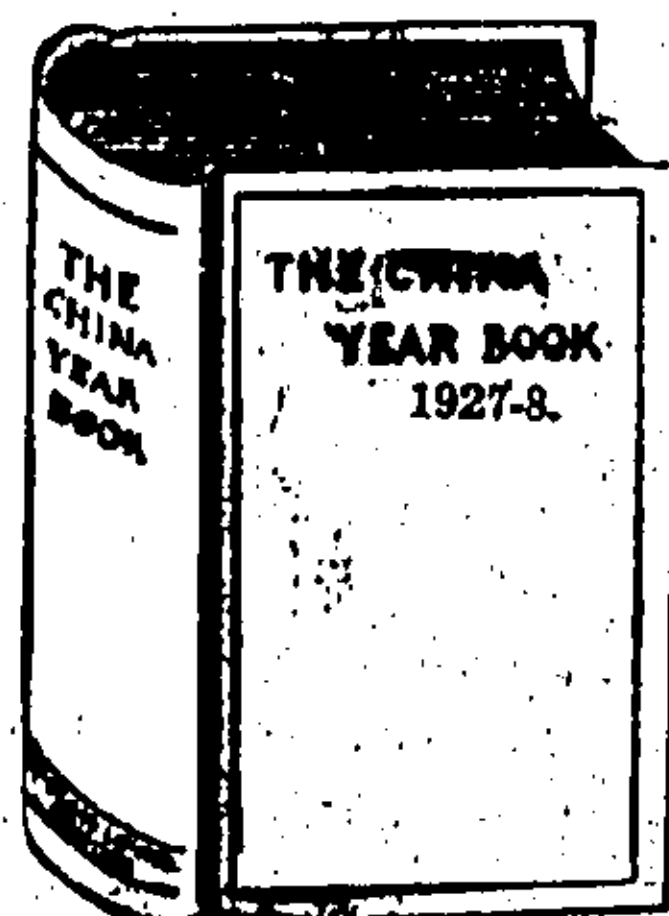
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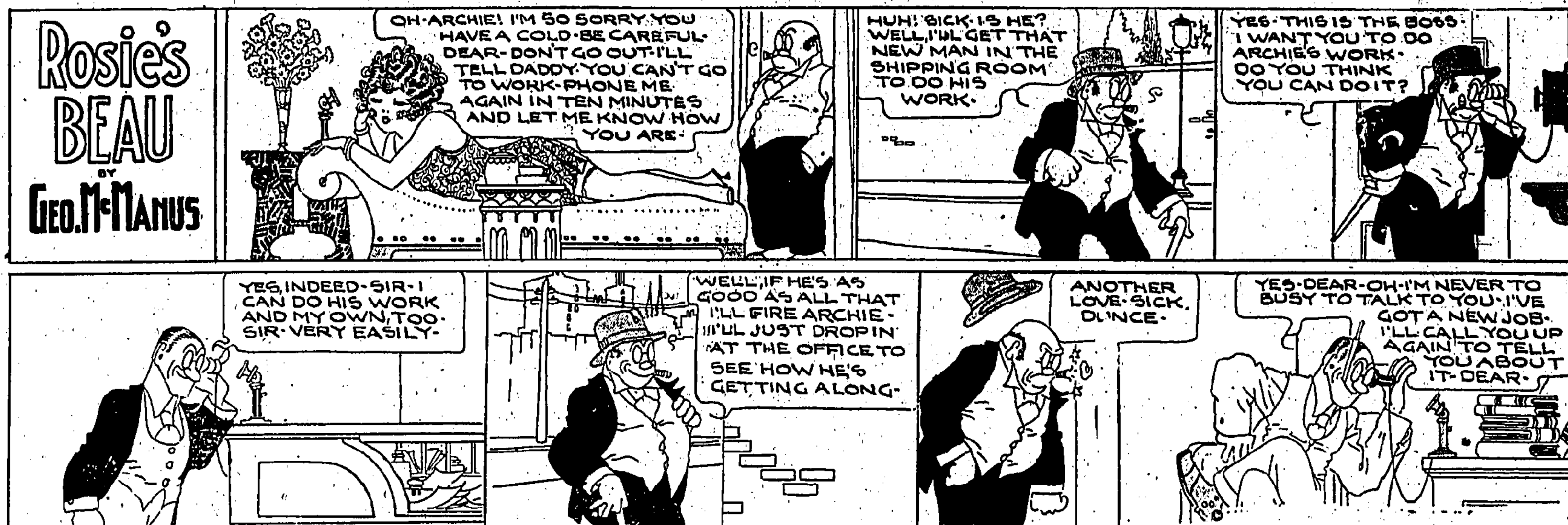
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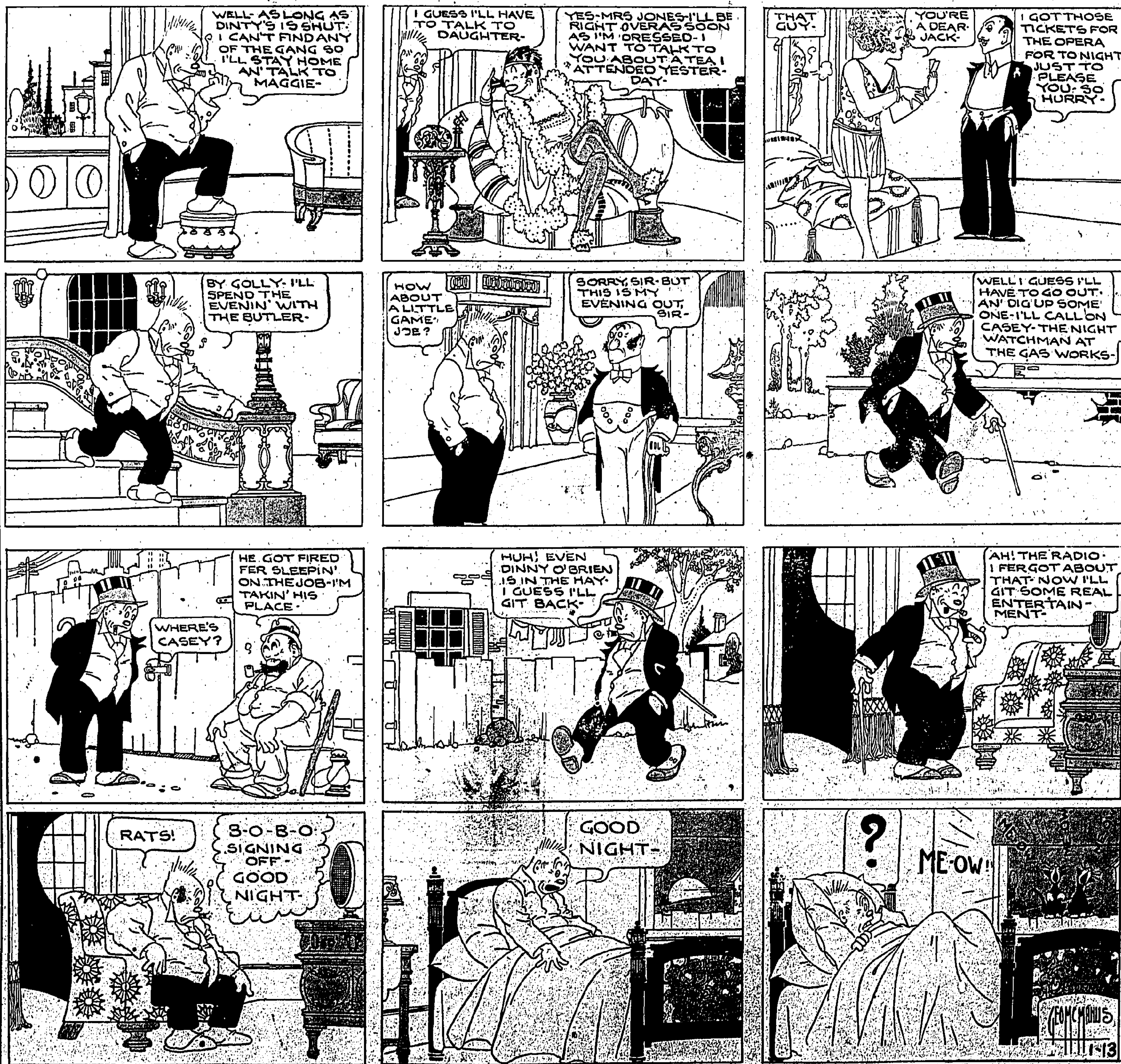
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(Continued from Page 4.)

Executive Changes
We have during the year had several changes in the executives of the Society and our thanks are particularly due to Mrs. Nisbet, our late President, who has left for Home and who did excellent work for the Society. Mrs. Alabaster, now our President, leaves shortly and has had to resign. Only those who have been closely associated with her can fully appreciate the energy and interest she has shown during the time she has been connected with us, in all capacities including Secretary and President. She will be a great loss. Mrs. Cock, Vice-President, also retires and we owe much to her for successful efforts in our interests.

Mrs. McClellan took over the Treasurership during Mrs. Shell-shear's absence which helped very considerably. Mrs. J. H. Hunt throughout the summer resumed her post as Hon. Secretary and notwithstanding ill health carried on nobly until by Doctor's advice she was obliged to resign. Her good work is by no means forgotten. Mrs. McCormack has now been elected Secretary and we extend to her a hearty welcome, she will, we know, receive the able support of Mrs. Sheldon, who has replaced Mrs. Featherstone as Assistant Secretary, to the latter our best thanks are due.

As regards the position of President during the coming year, I have much pleasure in informing you that Mrs. Southern, who has already been on the Committee for over a year, has kindly consented to fill the post, and knowing as we do her capacity for work and her keen interest in the welfare of the Colony, you will I know share the views of the Committee that the appointment is one which cannot but be regarded with the greatest satisfaction.

Newspaper Coupons
Now I would like to mention that as a result of last year's Meeting, I received several very kind letters regarding the Society and its report, but in some cases the communications were not accompanied by the essential cheque or remittance order and as no doubt this was merely an oversight, I hope that this passing reference will be quite sufficient to prevent such an unfortunate occurrence this year: will friends please note.

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These remarks, poorly expressed and in common place language, have at least but one redeeming feature and that is their sincerity. They will perhaps in the ordinary course of things be read to-morrow by many residents and if here and there they have struck a chord of sympathy in our work, and awakened a desire to help, they have then in truth achieved their main object.

Call to Community
No matter how hard and conscientiously your Committee may work, no matter what self-sacrifice may be entailed in their endeavours to carry out the onerous duties voluntarily undertaken, or perhaps it may be said bequeathed to them by those who have gone before as far back as 1889, it must be obvious to all that the continuity of this organisation and extension of its worthy aims, can only be secured by the practical co-operation and financial assistance of the Hong Kong community.

With these remarks ladies and gentlemen, I have now to propose the adoption of the report and accounts as presented and when these have been seconded by the Hon. Mr. Shenton, we shall be glad to hear any remarks which members may be pleased to make.

The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton seconded the motion.
Those present having no remarks to make on the report as presented, the motion for its adoption was put to the meeting and carried unanimously.

Generous Assistance
Mrs. Alabaster then said that no doubt the counter attraction at St. Stephen's College had drawn away some of their audience. However, the attendance was better than in former years. She welcomed this show of more interest in the Society. The larger attendance, she said, might also be due to the change of time from 7.30 to 8.30. Then again, it might be due to the change of scene.

For this, Mrs. Alabaster said, she wished on behalf of herself and the Committee to express their thanks to the Dean of the Cathedral. (Applause).

Proceeding, Mrs. Alabaster said that Mr. Sutherland had said a lot of nice things about herself and the members of the Committee. It gave her much pleasure to pay him back in his own coin. It was now his time to blush. (Laughter).

They were very grateful to Mr. Sutherland for the assistance which he had always given them, even when they had gone to him in his lair during office hours he had always given them his best attention. They apologised for having wasted his time, but they were not sorry that they had sought his assistance.

Members Wanted
Mr. Sutherland had given them sound advice for the putting of their finances on a better footing, and it had borne fruit. From Mr. Sutherland's speech, they all knew that he had given a lot of his time even to that meeting because in his address to them he had gone very fully into the workings of the Society during the past year. They appreciated it all the more when they realised that Mr. Sutherland was a very busy business man. (Applause).

In conclusion, Mrs. Alabaster said that she would like to endorse Mr. Sutherland's appeal for more members, and she had much pleasure in proposing a vote of thanks to Mr. Sutherland for the interest which he had taken in the Society. Highly Commendable.

The Very Rev. A. Swann, in seconding the vote of thanks said that the Society was rich in having such a man as Mr. Sutherland take an interest in it.

As to the use of the Cathedral Hall, he said that he was glad to have them come there. The Society, the Dean said, had been of great use to him as when he had received appeals for help he was able to inquire into the cases through the Society, the members of which always went about the work of investigation in a patient and detailed manner.

Few of them, the speaker continued, knew when a case was genuine or not, and when they have a Society which carefully and patiently investigate for them it was of great value to Hong Kong indeed. As the Society was run entirely on voluntary lines, the work of its members was highly commendable. (Applause).

New Officials
Replying to the vote of thanks, Mr. Sutherland said that he very much appreciated the kind remarks made about him by Mrs. Alabaster

and the Dean. It was very embarrassing for him to be brought into the limelight like that. He felt like a man who after he had been pulling strings at the back of the stage for 20 years, was suddenly pushed out in front of the spotlight. (Laughter).

However, he would like to say that it had been a pleasure to him to assist the ladies of the Committee who had very efficiently taken care of the investigations and other work of the society. (Applause).

The following office-bearers were then elected for the ensuing year:

President Mrs. Southern.
Vice-President Mrs. Hunt.
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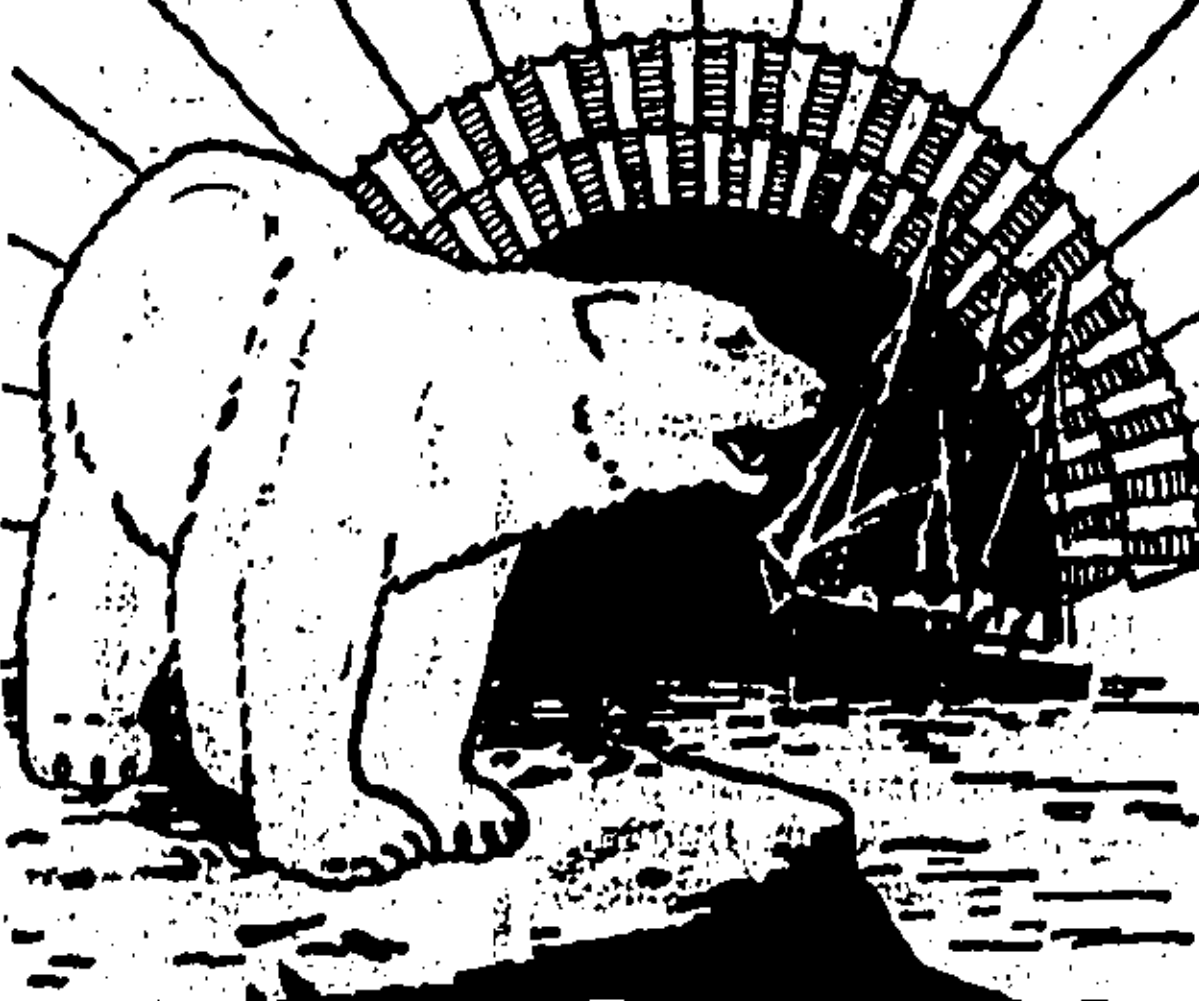
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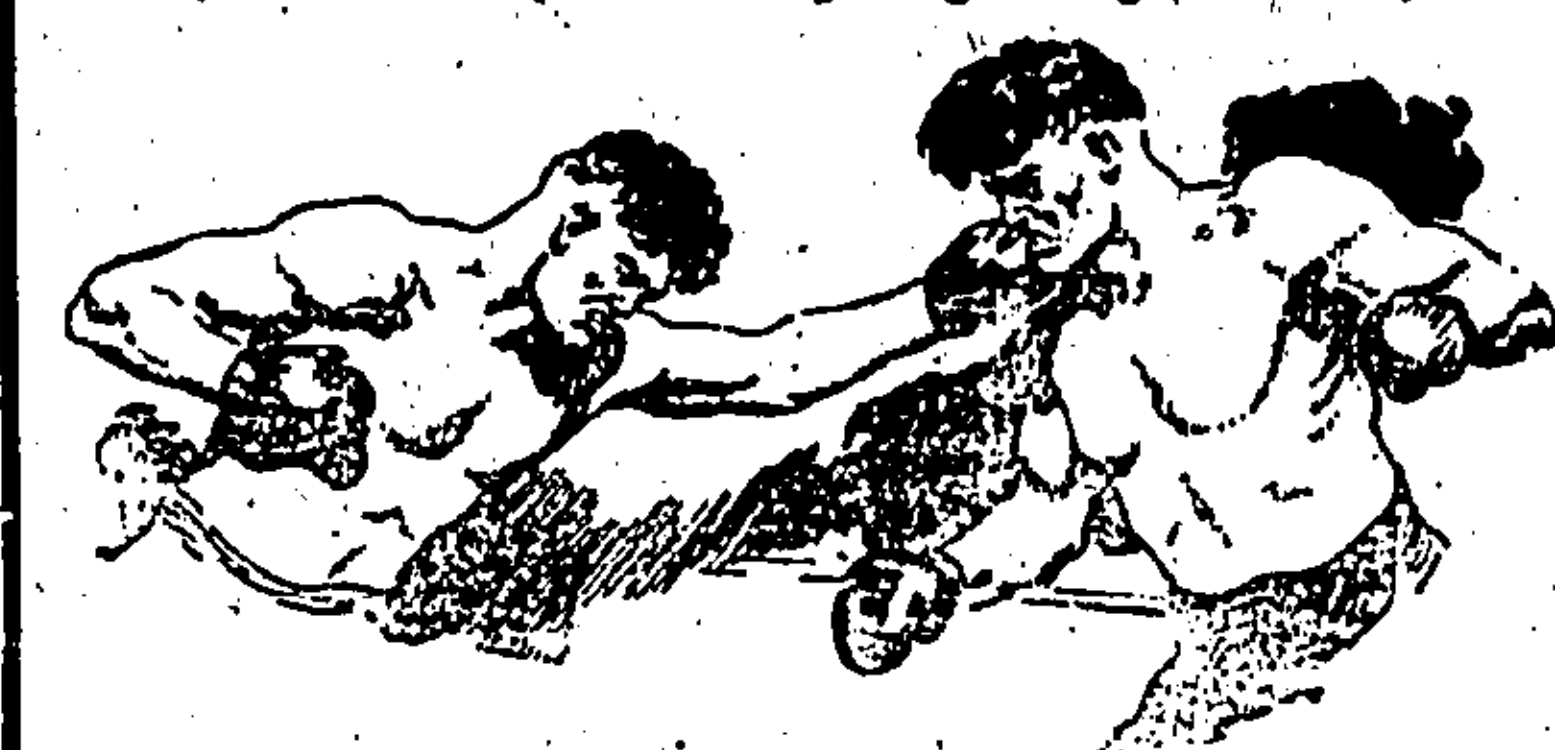
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England—1st Innings	
Hobbs, c Ryder, b Hendry	74
Sutcliffe, st Oldfield, b	
Grimmett	64
Hammond, not out	47
D. R. Jardine, l.b.w., b	
Grimmett	1
Hendren, b Blackie	13
A. P. F. Chapman, c A'Beckett,	
b Ryder	39
Duckworth, not out	0
Extras	8

Total (for 5 wickets) 246
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Fall of wickets: 1 for 143 runs (Hobbs), 2 for 143 (Sutcliffe), 3 for 149 (Jardine).
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COULD A CHECK BE PUT ON
BIG BREAKS

ABOUT W. LINDRUM

Whether there is any truth in a statement that has been made or not, I am at present unable to state definitely, but it is to the effect that certain of the table-making firms are considering schemes whereby the making of such huge breaks as those now current will be rendered much more difficult. It is hardly possible to imagine how such an object can be achieved without detrimentally affecting the development of the amateur game.

All steps possible should be taken to avoid such a contingency, as playing conditions are already quite sufficiently difficult for the general run of players, and the hundreds of thousands of keen devotees of the game cannot conceivably be penalised in order that the prolific scoring of a handful of professionals should be checked. It seems that the only method by which scoring may be made harder would be by reducing the size of the openings to the pockets, and if this course is adopted it should be strictly confined to tables upon which professional players perform.

Some difficulty would, of course, be experienced in country districts where the tables used, probably at the intervals, by professionals, are the only ones available for ordinary customers at other times. Personally, I do not see that any alteration is necessary, as professionals will only continue to compile mammoth breaks so long as the public will pay to see them. When the time arrives for a change of tactics, they may be relied upon to quickly discern the need for that change.

It need not be emphasised that the above-mentioned rumour, or statement, found its source in the remarkable scoring displays of Willie Smith in his recent games with Tom Newman and Fred Lindrum. I am informed that the financial result of the latter game, at Newcastle, was very satisfactory, and that, presumably, is the only thing that matters from the professional point of view.

Smith himself states that the patronage accorded the game proves

that the public only desire to "see the goods; no matter the state of the score board." He should be in the position to judge, but I venture the opinion that, after the novelty of such heavy scoring evaporated, the public will wish to revert to closer games, instead of witnessing such runaway performances, however brilliant they may be.

Wonderful Scoring
During his fortnight's play with Lindrum, Smith scored no fewer than 30,900 points, and won the

LOCAL SOCCER

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China Athletic v. Hong Kong F.C. H.K.F.C. ground. Referee: L.S.B. Atkinson.

K.O.S.B. v. Royal Navy. Chatham-road ground. Referee: Capt. Austen, M.C., M.M.

Small Units v. Hong Kong Police, Sookumpoo ground. Referee: Mr. F. Smith.

South China v. Kowloon F.C., Caroline Hill ground. Referee: Bdm. Kerslake.

Club de Recreio v. Queen's Regt., King's Park ground. Referee: P.O. Cowan.

Division II.

(Kick off at 2.45 p.m.)

K.O.S.B. Reserves v. Small Units Reserves, Sookumpoo ground. Referee: Mr. Ip Kau ko.

Queen's Regt. Res. v. South China "A", Chatham-road ground. Referee: Mr. T. G. Stokes.

China Athletic Res v. South China "B", Caroline Hill. Referee: Pte. Lamb.

St. Joseph's v. R.A.F. St. Joseph's ground. Referee: A.B. Crossley.

R.A. Reserves v. Royal Navy Reserves, China Athletic ground. Referee: Pte. Farnsworth.

Club de Recreio Res. v. Eastern F.C., King's Park ground. Referee: Cox. Willis.

"match" by 19,178, his remarkable feat being enhanced by the fact that he averaged 161.62 per innings over the whole distance. His principal breaks were 1,140, 1,041, 1,108, 1,108, 984, 987, 935, 925, 908, and 900, a stupendous record which would have been more marvellous had he been able to add 43 to the 987, as then he would have made two four-figure breaks in successive hands, which he justifiably says would have been a real triumph.

In every session except two he returned four-figure aggregates, and his worst session was the penultimate one, when he was outpointed by 1,148 to 585, and Lindrum was able to record his best return of the game. The Australian must be considered to have played very well in the circumstances, his best break being 468, while he passed the three hundred mark on six other occasions.

Lindrum paid a high tribute to his conqueror's brilliant play at the close of the match, and uttered what may be regarded as a somewhat cryptic remark in saying, "I should not like to predict the winner when he meets my brother, Walter." If the latter is really as good a player as reports indicate, his meeting with Smith should yield a stirring tussle.

Walter Lindrum, by the way, has announced that upon the recovery of Clark McConachy from his present illness, they intend undertaking a world tour together, and one is constrained to wonder whether this tour will begin prior to the arrival of Smith in Australia, after his visit to Canada. If so, the English player will find a great dearth of worthy opponents, and his tour, from a playing point of view, would be hardly worth while. The younger Lindrum also states that he and McConachy may be regarded as almost certain starters for the English championship in 1930, which is good news indeed for enthusiasts on this side.

Davis Wants a 1,000 Break

As was predicted, the margin between the scores of Davis and Newman at the close of their match at Thurston's was not very large, the champion winning by 770 points. Even this was scarcely expected, for Newman was only 145 behind when the final day's play began. The match clearly proved that, at last, Davis has mastered the peculiarities of the composition ball, and that he has struck quite his best form.

Davis is a little disgruntled at not yet having made a thousand breaks with them, but it is quite safe to say this is only a matter of time. Any player who can make 500 or 600, in faultless style, has only to abide his time to accomplish the greater thing. Newman in the second week credited himself with breaks of 822 (in which he took the lead for the first time since the opening day), and 1,038, but otherwise he was very inconsistent, while Davis played exceedingly well. The champion's highest run in the second half of the game was 501,

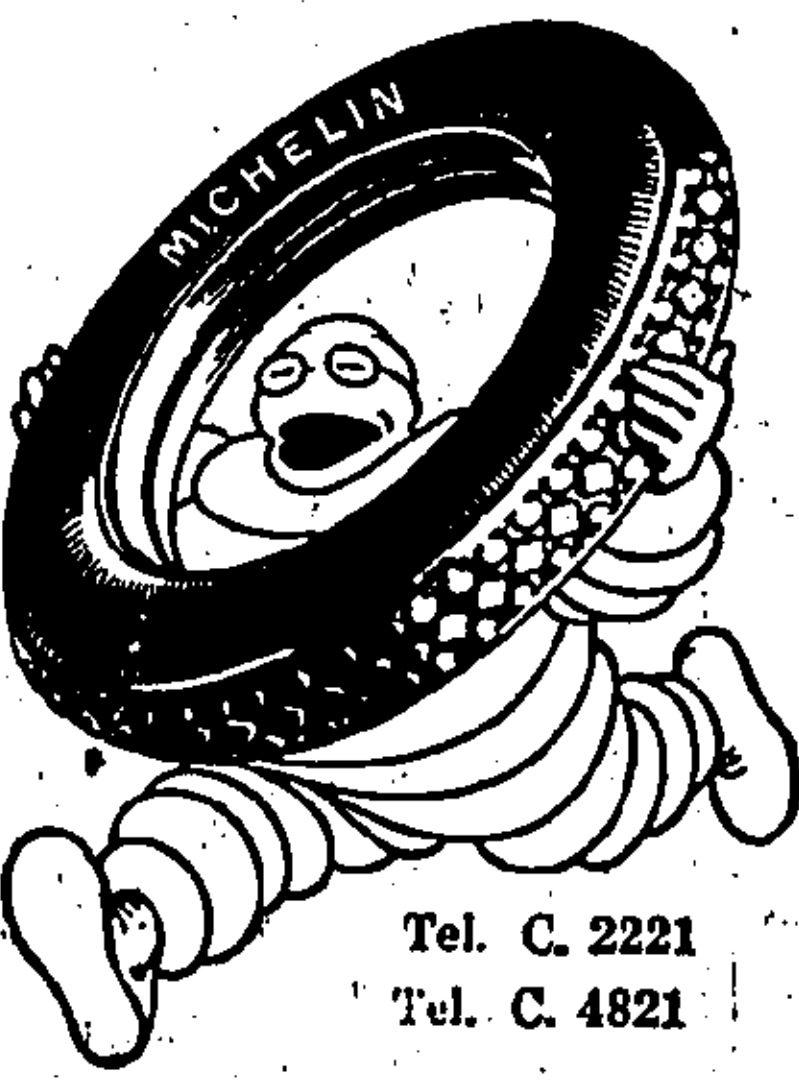
but he claimed a large number between 300 and 400.

Following upon the defeat of Arthur Wardle and Ralph Coombe, another amateur championship aspirant in J. J. Ashley has been eliminated from the competition, and as it was generally stated, he had been heavily backed, not only for the London sectional success, but also for the competition proper, his defeat must have done a good turn for the book. Ashley's successful opponent was young Sidney Lee, who has made wonderful progress since winning the boys' championship four years ago. He followed this success by winning the London championship, and he bids fair to repeat this performance this year. His execution was worthy of any prospective champion, and given a fair chance in the draw, he will probably make a big mark in this season's event. Lee has already reached the sectional semi-final round, and as he will have to meet either C. H. Harrison or P. H. Bendon, he is practically certain to reach the ultimate stage, in which he is likely to run up against P. Pamenter (whom he defeated two years ago) or Lew Jacobs—"Sports Dispatch" Correspondent.

NEW BILL

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Wins a Throne



After years of actions in the courts, Rajagopala Tondiaman, the six-years-old grandson of the younger sister of the late Rajah of Pudukotah, has been declared the successor to that ruler. His administration will be carried on by a regency until he comes of age.

On a Flying Honeymoon



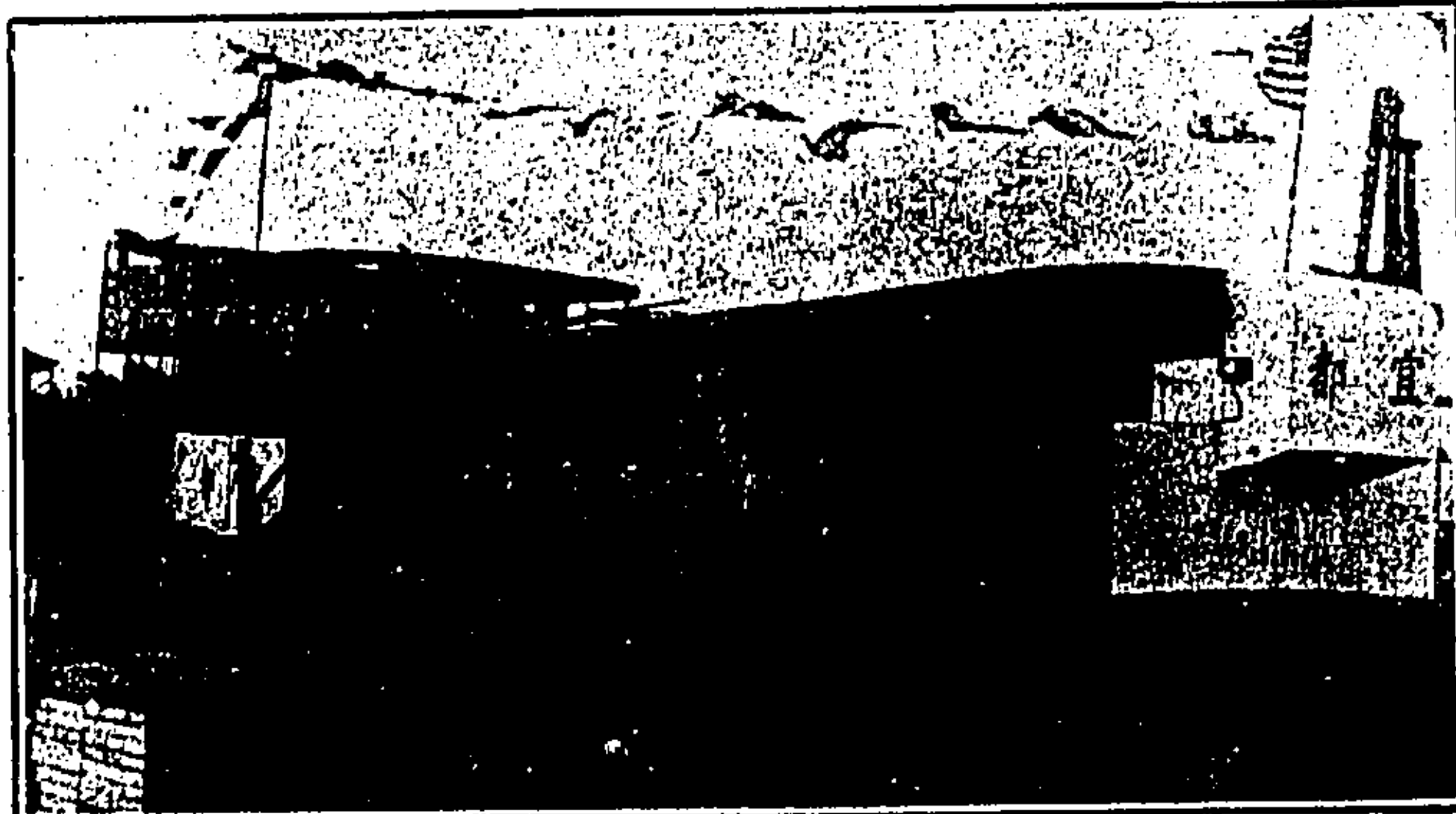
Lt. Henry Ogden, famous as a member of the U.S. Army's round-the-world fliers (who called at Hong Kong a few years ago), and his bride, the former Miss Ulele Snook, as they left Miss's Field, Los Angeles, on their aerial honeymoon. They intend to make a circuit of the United States by air.

Explosion in London's Streets



Here is a photo showing the damage wrought by sewer explosions underneath London streets. More than a mile of roadway was torn up, telephone and telegraph communication was severed and a number of persons were injured.

Launching the "ITu"



The new motor vessel "ITu," of the Yangtze Rapid S.S. Co. was christened by Mrs. E. J. Foy, wife of Commander Foy, Chief of Staff to Rear-Admiral Yates Stirling, Jr., who was also present at the launching ceremony held at Huh Heing Dock, Shanghai. Many foreign and Chinese residents of Shanghai were in attendance.—(Ah Fong.)

African Explorer



An exploration of the Zimbabwe ruins in Southern Rhodesia will be made by Miss Gertrude Caton-Thompson, an English woman. She believes these ruins are the site of King Solomon's mines.

Police Chief



Grover A. Whalen, the new head of the New York City police.

First Photos of Earthquake in Chile



Like shell-heap areas were the broken districts of Chile, the result of the recent earthquake, which caused death to at least 218 persons, injury to 1,227 and damage estimated at \$4,000,000. The vivid photo at top shows a broken building in the Plaza de Armas, in Talca, the centre of the earthquake, while the one below gives an idea of what the quake did to one of principal buildings in the same city.

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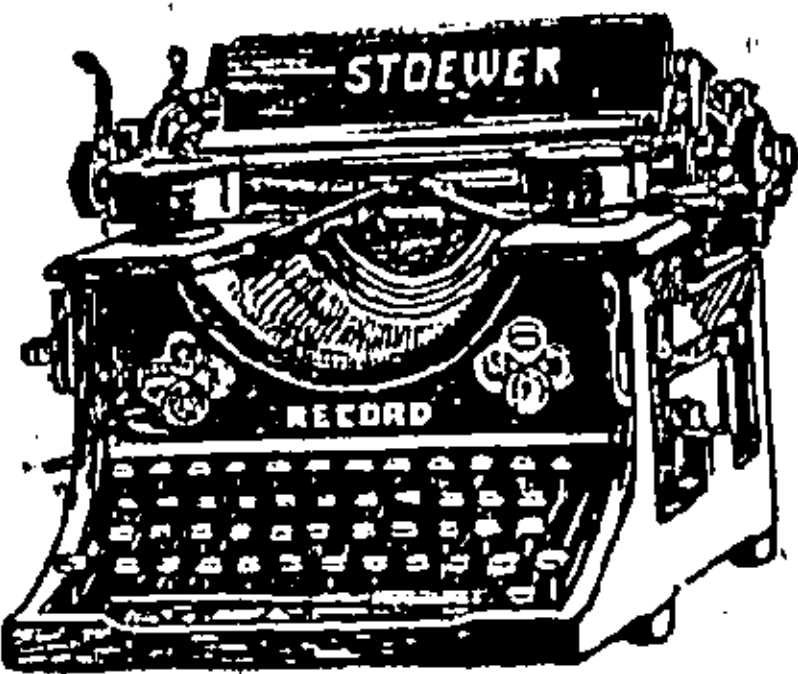
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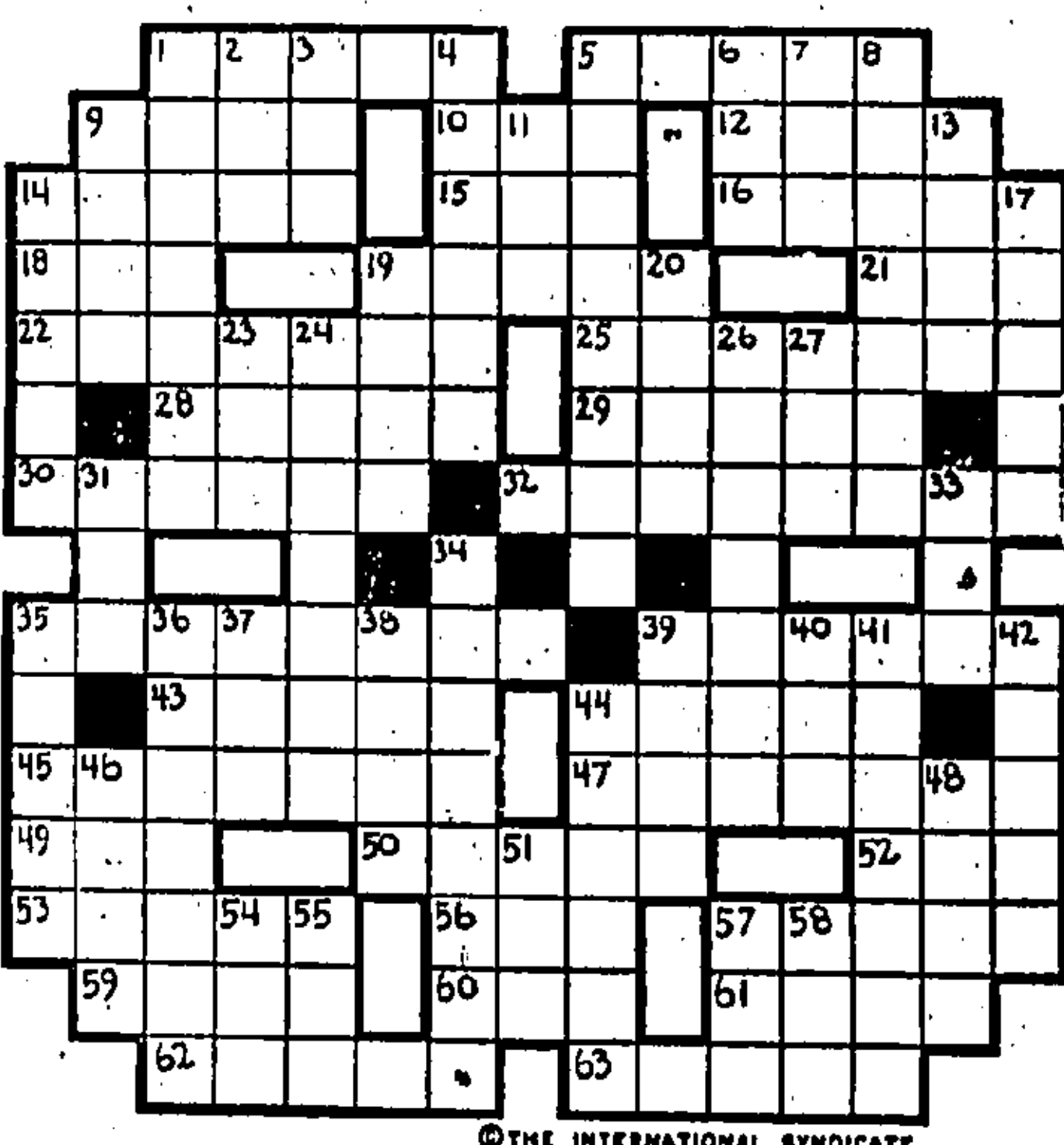
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert
but our readers are warned to look out for occasional
phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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|--------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| HORIZONTAL | HORIZONTAL (Cont.) | VERTICAL (Cont.) |
| 1-Tine of a fork | 48-Recede | 14-Petitions |
| 5-Combining form. | 50-Measuring | 17-Obsolete variant of |
| 9-Spiral | 51-Apparatus | 18-Obsolete variant of |
| 10-Bow | 52-Fish | 19-Worthless dogs |
| 12-Post office on wheels | 53-Pathos | 20-A hard wood |
| (abbr.) | 54-Wand | 23-Flash eggs |
| 14-Party for men only | 55-Friendship | 24-Inertness |
| 15-Serutiniz | 56-Costly | 25-One who touches |
| 16-An age of the | 57-Digit | 27-Sum total |
| universe | 58-Place in difficulty | 31-Lump of butter |
| 18-Girl's name | 59-Prop | 33-Pronoun |
| 19-Something of no | 60-Attire | 34-Pastries |
| value | | 35-Fathered |
| 21-Military student | | 36-Reveals about |
| 22-Schoolboy slang for | | 37-Length of life |
| "yes" | | 38-Around |
| 23-Loving | | 39-Burn |
| 25-Mexican blankets | | 40-Contraction for |
| 28-Being a makeshift | | "even" |
| 29-Chinese coin (pl.) | | 41-Diliges |
| 30-Hustons | | 42-Item |
| 32-Resembling an | | 43-Cultivated |
| alkali | | 44-Revolving |
| 35-Contract | | 45-Satisfy |
| 38-Dairy product | | 46-Also |
| 40-Girl's name | | 47-Large container |
| 44-Cause to rotate | | 48-Period of time |
| 45-Name of several | | 49-Eroded |
| Egyptian monarchs | | 50-Married woman's |
| 47-Zealous | | title (abbr.) |

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will
appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word
puzzle.)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION.

DUCATS	PUMICE
ODDITY	UNUS
COMOSE	COMATE
TRE	POE
LARES	BLAKE
ENAMEL	RUSHED
PI	OG
BALLAD	CLUTHA
ARTIEL	ERROR
LEO	BAH
DANUBE	ETAPES
ETON	RIANA
RELENT	RENES

HONG KONG HEIGHTS

For the information of visitors
the following list of some of the
highest points on the Island and
Mainland is published:—

Island	Feet
Victoria Peak	1822
Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1505
Tai Koo Sanatorium	1090
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (Hillside)	827
Tai Mo Shan	8124
Mainland	Feet
Tai Mo Shan	3124

THE WORLD OF BOOKS

"MAIL" REVIEWS

NEW NOVELS

["The Six Proud Walkers, Francis
Beeding, (Hodder and Stough-
ton 7/6)"]

Mystery and thrills in home with
two young Englishmen and a young
English girl in the thick of them.
Geoffrey Carrol, jealous of the at-
tentions that are being paid to his
fiancée by one Blatchet, spends the
day at a small village just outside
Rome, and walking back during the
evening is stopped by an apparent
madman, who says that he is one
of the Six Proud Walkers. Thence
onward he becomes entangled in a
mesh of mystery together with
Diana, his fiancée and a colonel
Granby. They are naturally trium-
phant over their antagon-
ists at the end, but have what can
be called "a pretty thin time" be-
fore that triumph is achieved.

Colonel Granby resembles in
more than one way the famous
Bulldog Drummond created by
Sapper and the arch fiend, Caramac
is little inferior to Carl Peterson
except that he lacks an Irma.

A good story written in an inter-
esting manner.

["As a Thief in the Night," R.
Austin Freeman (Hodder and
Stoughton, 7/6)"]

This, the latest Dr. Thorndyke
mystery describes the death and
avenging of one, Rupert Monkhouse.
He, a confirmed invalid dies, but
owing to some suspicion on the part
of his brother, the funeral is stop-
ped, and an enquiry made. A
quantity of arsenic is found in the
body and so the case becomes an-
other arsenical poison mystery.

Dr. Thorndyke becomes involved
and in his usual manner is respon-
sible for finding out the manner in
which the poison was administered
and by whom. The murderer does
not suffer the fate of murderers but
commits suicide before arrest.

Like many other stories of the
same type it is rather uninteresting
in parts and the inquest is a long
drawn out affair and also Dr.
Thorndyke's clever explanations are
apt to become rather tedious.

Waddingford, secretary to Rupert
Monkhouse, is a character in the
book which cannot be given any
definite place in the story.

Although this cannot be discrib-
ed as Dr. Freeman's best it is cer-
tainly diverting and thus a good
book to read.

MAJOR HALDANE MACFALL

We much regret to learn that
Major C. Haldane Macfall died at
Millbank Hospital, after an opera-
tion.

His death occurred on the eve
of the publication of his "Aubrey
Beardsley: The Man and His
Work."

In the course of an obituary
notice, the "Times" says of him,
"Warm-hearted, enthusiastic, gen-
erous, . . . Haldane Macfall had
qualities which led a jour-
nalist friend to describe him,
with appreciative rather than
derisive intention, as 'the Marie
Corelli of art criticism.' . . .
His imagination, vitality, and force
of expression made him a valuable
agent in the popularization of art.
He himself, though he produced lit-
tle, was a talented artist, but when
all has been said about his paint-
ing and writing it is as the gen-
erous friend of artists that he will
be best remembered. Two artists
in particular, Mr. Frank Brang-
wyn, R.A., and the late Claud Lovat
Fraser, owed a great deal of their
reputation with the wider public
to his championship. He may
almost be said to have discovered
Lovat Fraser. To at least one
critic who was a stranger to him,
Macfall wrote urging him to go
to a certain studio where a young
artist was producing works of
genius. For with Macfall it was
always all or nothing; the man was
either a genius or else he was a
complete humbug.

"Of Macfall's published works,
"The Splendid Wayfarer," pub-
lished in 1913, is the most impor-
tant, not so much for the intrinsic
value of its matter as because it
contained his whole philosophy
of life and art—a gospel of joy
if ever there was one. He
published many other books on art—
an eight-volume "History of
Painting," in 1910, and mono-
graphs on Whistler, Boucher, and
Beardsley among them—but, be-
cause they dealt with facts and
considered reputations they were
less impressive than the outpour-
ing of feelings and speculative
opinions contained in "The
Splendid Wayfarer." Macfall's
writings were not limited to art;
he published at least one novel,
"The Woolings of Jezebel Pettifer,"
an elaboration of the "Robairat-
under the title of "The Three
Students"—and, in collaboration
with Count Charles de Souza, an
interpretation of German motives
and strategy in the War, under
the title of "Germany in Defeat."

Macfall was born in 1880, the
son of Madame Sarah Grand, the
novelist, and ex-Mayoress of Bath,
by her marriage with the late
Lieutenant-Colonel D. Chambers
Macfall. Educated at Norwich
Grammar School, he passed
through Sandhurst and was
gazetted to the Second Battalion of
the West India Regiment, serving
in Jamaica and West Africa. He
retired with the rank of lieutenant
in 1892, but rejoined the Army in
the European War, acting first as
captain in the Essex Regiment, and
afterwards as major—second in
command—of the Sherwood Fore-
sters. Though he painted a few
portraits, his work as an artist,
was mainly decorative—in con-
nection with book production—and
he had a pronounced interest in
the theatre.

THE WORLD'S VIEWS ON
CHINA

["The Soul of China," By Richard
Wilhelm. Translated by
John Holroyd Reece. Poems
by Arthur Waley. (Cape.
15s.)"]

["Chinese Birthday, Wedding, Fun-
eral, and Other Customs," By
Mrs. J. G. Cormack. (Luzac.
8s. 6d.)"]
["Within the Walls of Nanking,"
By Mrs. Alice Tisdale Hobart.
Proem by Mrs. Florence Ays-
cough. (Cape. 6s.)"]
[By Lady Hester]

That the world at large is inter-
ested in China may be judged by
the fact that of the above three
books recently published one is
by a German, another by an Eng-
lishwoman, and a third by an
American with a preface by a
Canadian. Dr. Wilhelm, the
author of "The Soul of China," is
professor of Chinese at Frankfurt.
His book has been well translated
by Mr. Reece, though there are a
few misprints in Chinese names.
Dr. Wilhelm writes throughout
with humanity and sympathy. Of
the coolie class he says he found
"that they were fathers, brothers,
and sons who were attached to their
relations who frequently earned
and saved money in the face of
the greatest self-sacrifice, in order
to nourish their aged parents, and
they did it all cheerfully and in-
nocently . . . and showed much
patience and long suffering. . . .
This discovery opened for me the
road to the heart of the Chinese
people."

But Dr. Wilhelm's chief in-
timacies were with the men who
stood midway between Old China
and New, filled with "almost
anguished hunger for all that came
from the West." With good rea-
son he believes that the Chinese
will never again assent to a
monarchy. It is a footnote on
current history that Liang Ch'i
Ch'ao, the reformer, whose
character he draws attractively, is
at this moment under sentence of
attainder by the Nationalist Gov-
ernment in Nanking. The author
traces the growth of the spirit
of criticism in recent Chinese
philosophy and of individualism in
the new social structure. The
most charming chapter is, per-
haps, on "The Old Men of Tsing-
tao," with whom he used to meet
to converse and dine. He has a
trenchant wit; and the story of
his first ride on a Chinese horse,
and his accounts of the impetu-
osities of Ku Hung Ming, the re-
volutionary, are very droll. He is,
perhaps, somewhat kinder in his
sympathies towards the East than
the West. His thrusts at any sort
of "blood and iron" policy are
sturdy, and he is as severe on Ger-
man instigators of such methods as
on other nationalities. He feels
that China and Germany have in
common that both have lately
overthrown dynasties and are
young, struggling republics. He
was besieged in Tsingtao during
the War; so speaking of Boxer
times, his comment is:—

"The Chinese at that time were
brand-marked as the objects of
abhorrence of the entire human
race just as Germans were during
the War."

He is not quite fair to Dr. John
R. Mott, that same, capable
Christian, who must not be held
responsible for all the missionary
methods of his compatriots. Of
course, the "Soul of China," of
which he writes so interestingly,
is purely the masculine soul.
But he presents it in a liberal and
thoughtful manner; and it is a
true picture.

"China and England"
To any intelligent person
desirous of knowing the actual
facts, and not fallacies, I would
recommend heartily Professor
Boothill's latest book, "China and
England" (Oxford University
Press, 7s. 6d.). In it he points
out that to a certain extent the
British nation has itself to blame
if misunderstood. We have been
so anxious to refute the moon-
shine charge of Imperialism that
we have said too urgently that our

"only interest" in China is trade.
For at heart we do care, quite
disinterestedly, that China should
have peace and progress for her
own sake. Mr. Woo thinks
Russia is the sole nation that
wants China to be strong. He
even accuses America of ulterior
motives when she asks for an
"Open Door."

Mrs. J. G. Cormack has made a
fascinating study of Chinese cer-
emonies in her book on "Chinese
Birthday, Wedding, Funeral, and
Other Customs." It will rejoice
the heart of the foreigner in China,
for now he will know the mean-
ing of many things hidden from
him before, and will understand
what he must and must not do on
certain occasions, and why. But
it will also be read with lively
interest by all who like to know
the strange customs and the
folklore of other nations: and who
does not? The Chinese peasant,
and many others of his nation,
believe firmly in ghosts. Their
proverb runs, "A spirit is flying
four inches above your head." I
will just mention that the last
chapter is headed "Spectres—and
How to Deal With Them!"

"City of Long Sand"
Mrs. Hobart, who presented in
her "City of Long Sand" an un-
usual and engaging picture of the
life of an American trader's house-
hold in China, has given us now in
"Within the Walls of Nanking"
a moving story of her household
during days of despair. I wept
over it. The condition of mind of
the servants, the men in the fields,
the small traders, and the long-
established merchants, as they saw
the tides of destruction mounting
round them, with the approach of
the Nationalist armies ostensibly
out to "save" them, shows a rare
understanding of the people of
China. Of her head servant she
writes, "Never once in the next
twenty-four hours did he show
fear," and the next twenty-four
hours are the climax of the book,
when the catastrophe broke, and
the little party of American re-
fugees took shelter in her house on
the famous Socony Hill in Nanking.

The story of how her husband
stood below in the hall with the
American consul and joked and
parried with a Chinese soldier who
pressed a rifle at full cock into
his ribs for the better part of two
hours, and thus saved the lives of
the refugees, is a miracle
of mingled wifely pride and modesty.
It is a heroic book; and there is
never a word save that of sympathy
for Chinese people. British and
American business houses are for-
tunate at having such men as
agents.

Mrs. Ayscough, whose book, "A
Chinese Mirror," and whose trans-
lations of Chinese poems, "Fif-
teen Flower Tablets," have just been
done into French, writes the Proem
to Mrs. Hobart's story, and in it
pleads for the restoration of the
old system of Chinese Civil Ser-
vice Examinations. It is indeed
time that the pen should replace
the sword in the government of
such ancient people as the Chi-
nese.—Observer.

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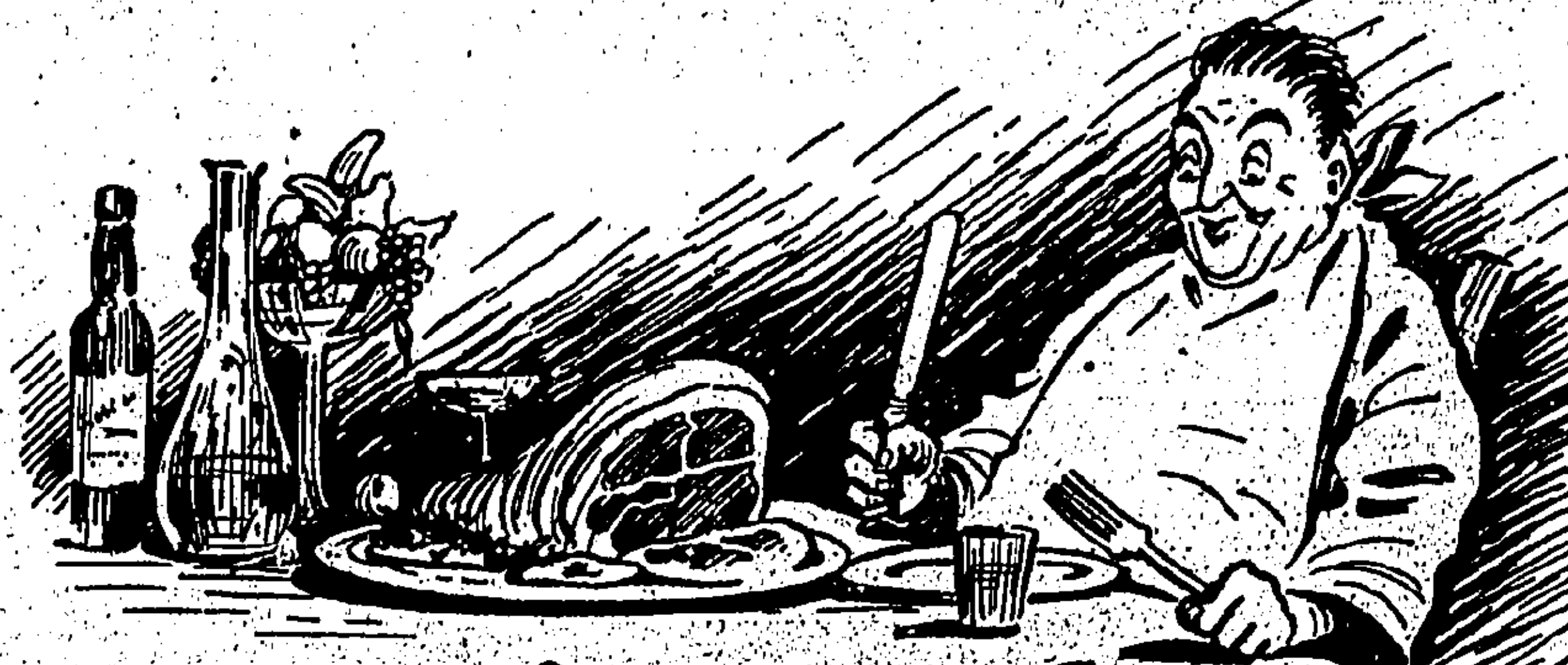
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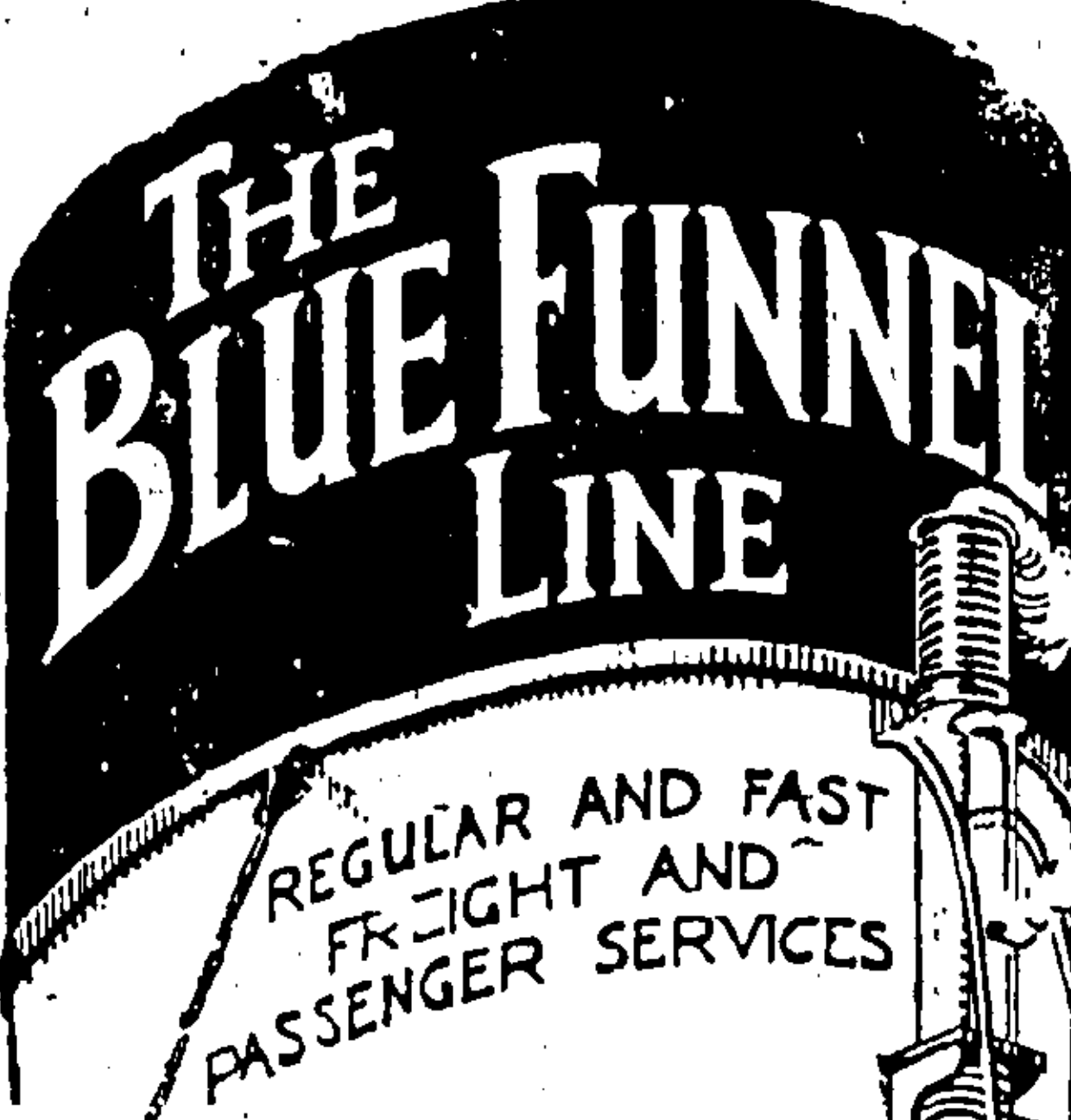
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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	
Shanghai and Swatow	SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2.	2.
Shanghai and Swatow	SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3.	3.
Straits	MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4.	4.
Straits and London (Parcel Mail, London, 20th Dec., 1928)		
Japan	Autolycus	
Australia and Manila	Chicago Maru	
Manila	Tanda	
Shanghai and Amoy	President Lincoln	
Japan	TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5.	5.
Japan	Philoctetes	
	Himalaya Maru	

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	
Swatow	SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 2.	2.
Manila	Daviken	1.30 p.m.
Holhow and Pakhoi	President Cleveland	4.30 p.m.
Bangkok	Limchow	5 p.m.
Straits	Honolulu Maru	5 p.m.
Saigon	Hubro	5 p.m.
	Kiukiang	5 p.m.
Fort Bayard, Holhow & Halphong	SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 3.	3.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Song Bo	8.30 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Canton Maru	9 a.m.
Shanghai, Dairen and Europe via Siberia	Kalgan	9 a.m.
	Liangchow	9 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 25th Feb. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.		
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	President Lincoln	
Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 6 p.m.		
Swatow	Kwai Sang	5 p.m.
Amoy	Anhui	5 p.m.
	Chinhua	8.30 a.m.
Holhow, Pakhoi and Halphong	Chicago Maru	9.30 a.m.
Mombasa, Lourenco Marques and S. Africa via Singapore	Halching	1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow		
Straits, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 8th Mar. K.F.O. Registration 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. G.P.O. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	Philoctetes	
Amoy	Sinkiang	1.30 p.m.
Formosa	Ho Sang	5 p.m.
	WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6.	6.
Manila, Australia except Thursday Island and Cairns, and New Zealand via Brisbane—due Brisbane, 23rd Feb. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Himalaya Maru	

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

JAPAN'S "REDS"

99 COMMUNISTS SENTENCED AT OSAKA

REVOLUTIONARY SONG

Osaka, Yesterday.
The district court has sentenced 99 Communists, all members of the Osaka branch of the Japan Communist Party, who were rounded up last March. Kasuga, who was a very active leader, got eight years and others received sentences ranging from seven to one year. Twenty-two defendants, who were put on probation, arranged to appeal and then left the court singing a revolutionary song.—Reuter.

DRAMATIST'S DEATH

AN ITALIAN PLAYWRIGHT COMMITS SUICIDE

A SICK MAN

Milan, Yesterday.
Marco Praga, the famous playwright, has committed suicide in hospital by shooting. He had been suffering from lung trouble and neurasthenia.—Reuter.

WORLD COUNCIL

TO BE HELD AT ST. PETER'S NEXT YEAR

Rome, Yesterday.
The Pontiff is planning to hold a Catholic World Council of Cardinals, Archbishops and Bishops from all over the world at St. Peter's Rome, in 1930, to discuss questions of Dogma and also to ratify the proposed reconciliation of the Holy See with Italy.—Reuter.

SPANISH REVOLT

DEATH SENTENCE ON TWO COLONELS

Paris, Yesterday.
A message from Madrid states that Colonel Paz and Colonel Bris have been court-martialled and sentenced to death for complicity in the recent revolt. It is doubtful whether the sentences will be carried out.

Newspaper correspondents report that there is great excitement in Spain in consequence of the arrest of Sanchez Guerra. Influential politicians are preparing to approach the King in the event of severe punishment being inflicted on the late Premier.—Reuter.

SPANISH POST

SHANGHAI OFFICIAL TRANSFERRED TO SMYRNA

Madrid, Yesterday.
It is announced that Senior Spottorno, the Spanish Consul-General at Shanghai has been appointed Consul at Smyrna.—Reuter.

\$10,000 FROM MINERS' FEDERATION

FOR RELIEF FUND

H.R.H. RETURNS TO LONDON FROM TOUR

TO REPLY TO PREMIER

London, Yesterday.
The Prince of Wales returned to London this evening from his tour of the distressed northern coal-fields.

In regard to what steps the Prince will take towards helping to relieve the situation, it is stated in official circles to be premature to pass an opinion whether His Royal Highness will make any detailed suggestions or further an immediate appeal to the nation similar to his wireless appeal on Christmas Day. That the general results of the tour will be conveyed to the Premier and Lord-Mayor or London is certain.

Big Donation

A donation of £10,000 has been received by the Lord Mayor of London for the Coalfields Distress Fund from Mr. Cook, on behalf of the Miners' Federation of Great Britain.

In an accompanying letter Mr. Cook says that as the Federation has been given representation upon the committees formed for the purpose of administering the Lord Mayor's fund it has great pleasure in making a donation and will continue to do everything possible to support and increase the fund.

The Federation trusts that the great work of ameliorating the sufferings of the miners may proceed with all possible speed and thoroughness.—British Wireless Service.

SALVATION ARMY

THE HIGH COUNCIL MEET IN LONDON

THE JUDGE'S DIRECTION

London, Yesterday.
The High Council of the Salvation Army met in London to-day and the notice to proceed with a fresh adjudication as to General Booth's fitness in accordance with the direction given by Mr. Justice Eve was conveyed to the President of the Council, who is now in communication with General Booth.—British Wireless Service.

ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE

CONGRATULATIONS TO DR. TSO

CHANGES IN THE STAFF

The Rev. A. D. Stewart presided at the annual gathering of St. Paul's College last evening, preceded by a musical entertainment and followed by a cinema show. Congratulations were extended to the Hon. Dr. S. W. Tao, O.B.E., LL.D. (who distributed the certificates) on his appointment to the Legislative Council.

Mr. Tso Yuk-wah and one of the boys spoke in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Evan Stewart bon voyage on their departure for leave. The Rev. Mr. Stewart's address was, in part, as follows:—

We are met together to-night not only for the purpose of distributing certificates, but also to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. Evan Stewart who will be leaving us to-morrow for a well deserved holiday in England.

College Council

I know I am speaking on behalf of the whole Staff and all the students when I offer to Dr. Tso our most hearty congratulations on his appointment as a member of the Legislative Council of Hong Kong. Dr. Tso was associated with the late Sir Kai Ho Kai in helping to start this school just twenty years ago, and for the past fifteen years Dr. Tso has been a member of our College Council. What is more, I find from the minute book that he has scarcely missed a meeting of the committee during all these years, which speaks well for the untiring interest he has always shown in the College. At the moment he is even more closely connected with it in that he has one son a teacher and another a student. We are most grateful to him for this further proof of his interest in coming to us to-night.

In the early summer Mr. Li Chi-wei left us to take up an important educational post in the Straits Settlements. Another loss cast a deep gloom over the school, for during the summer holidays Mr. Tso Siekai became very seriously ill, and three months later he passed away, leaving a blank that cannot easily be filled. As an old boy of the school and a teacher of exceptional abilities, we feel it a very personal loss.

Scholarships

We were glad to welcome back Mr. Andrew Chan, after a short stay abroad, and to see him again in his post as headmaster of the Hostel classes, and Miss Doris Wood and Mr. Leung Cheng-ling as new members of our staff. On the vernacular side we again have the services of Mr. Li Hie-ngar who proved himself in the past to be a valuable teacher in that department.

We are deeply grateful to Dr. Tso for help and encouragement by the offer of prizes or scholarships to be awarded for vernacular subjects which, we believe, will prove a real incentive to greater interest. At the same time it has been decided to make Vernacular a compulsory subject for promotion, as well as English and mathematics.

In the recent Local examinations we passed 2 Matriculation, 5 Senior and 9 Junior. In the Junior classes, particularly in class 6, the standard was quite good.

In Sports
In sports it was quite a successful year. Inter-group or inter-house competitions were held throughout the year in football, basketball and volleyball. The school football team has won all the matches so far. In the inter-school competition we won the championship in the senior division; and in the inter-school volleyball we secured the first place in the junior and small boys divisions, for the fourth year.

The annual tennis tournament attracted a large number of entries; three tennis matches were played with other schools during the year.

The boards are to be congratulated on their successful management of the free night school which had an enrolment of over a hundred.

To Mr. and Mrs. Evan Stewart we all wish a very prosperous voyage and happy time in England.

Washington, Yesterday. — The "goodwill" tour arranged by the Shipping Board for Captain Fried, of the s.s. "America," has been abandoned.—Reuter's American Service.

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